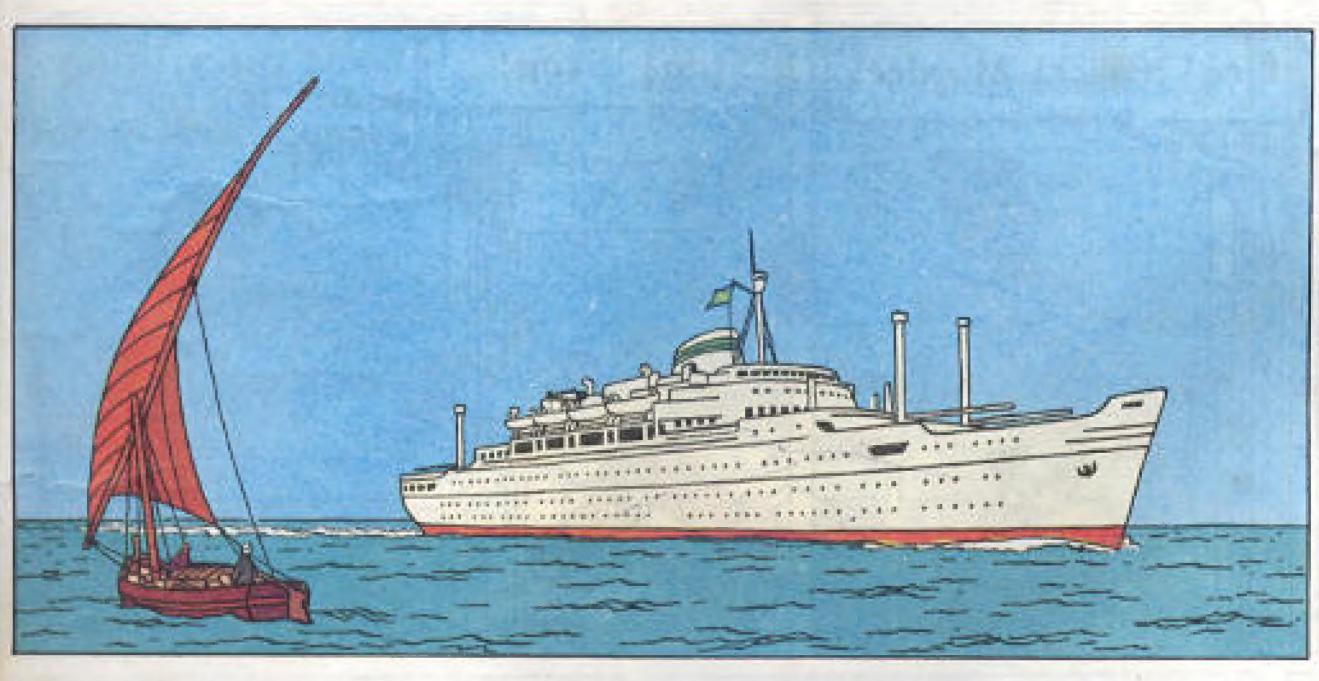


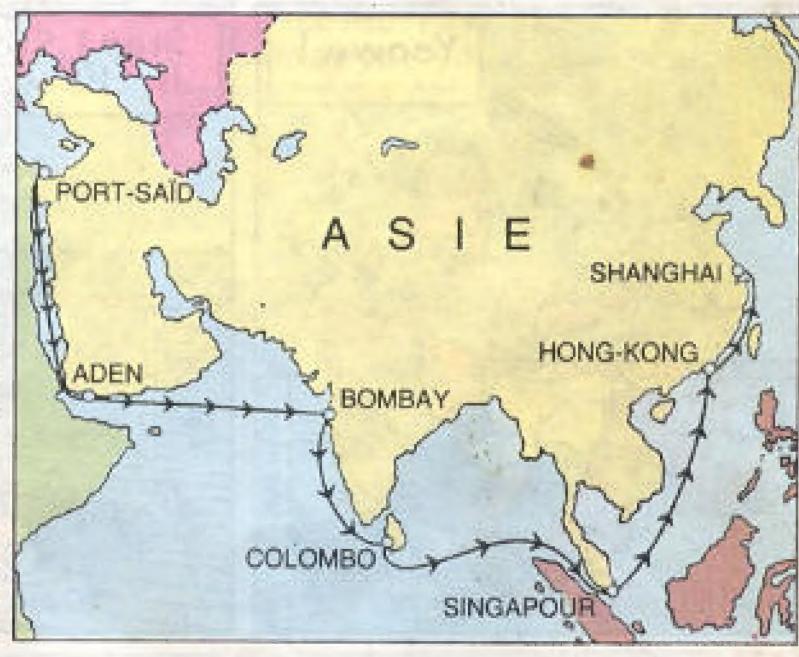
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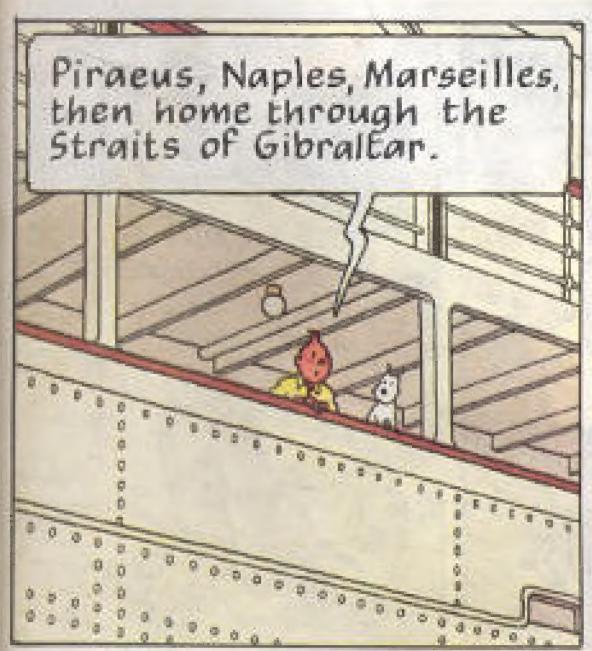


















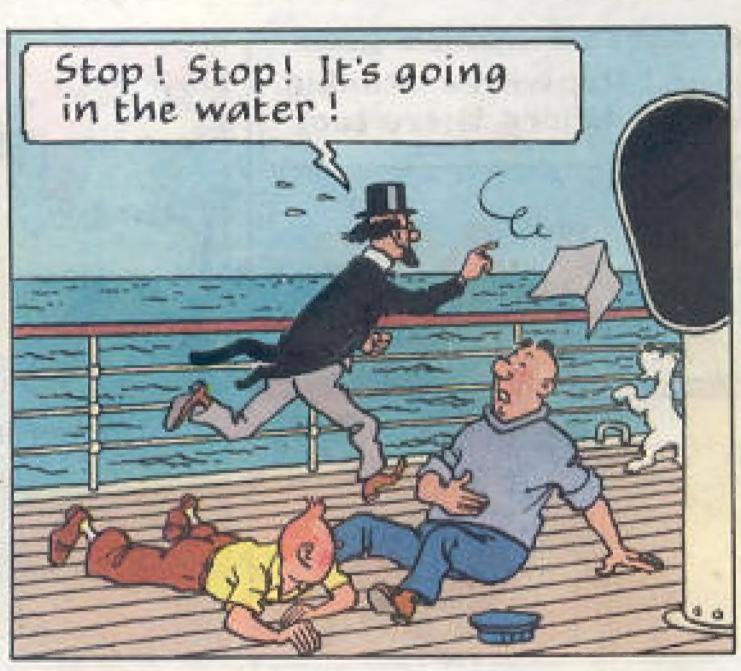










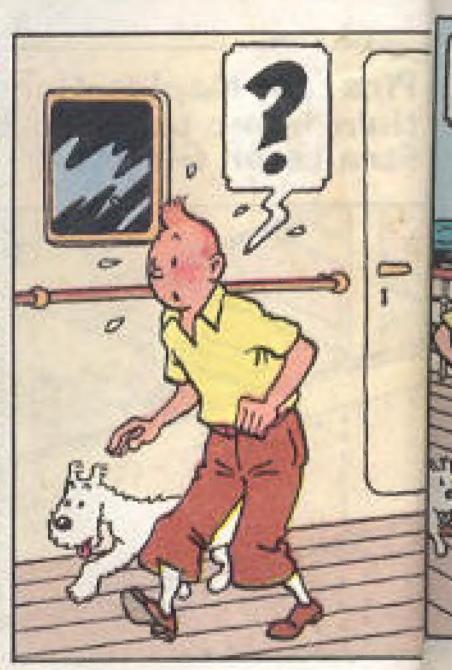


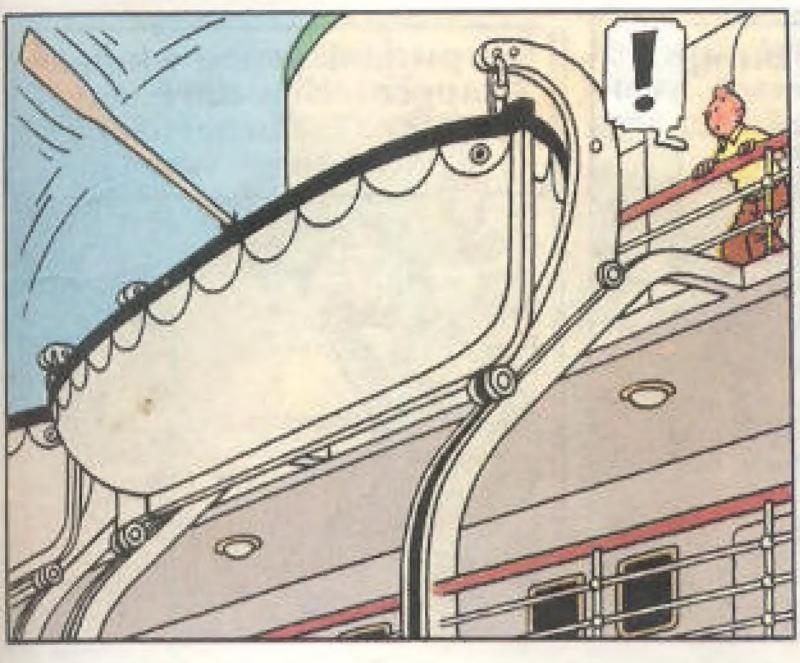




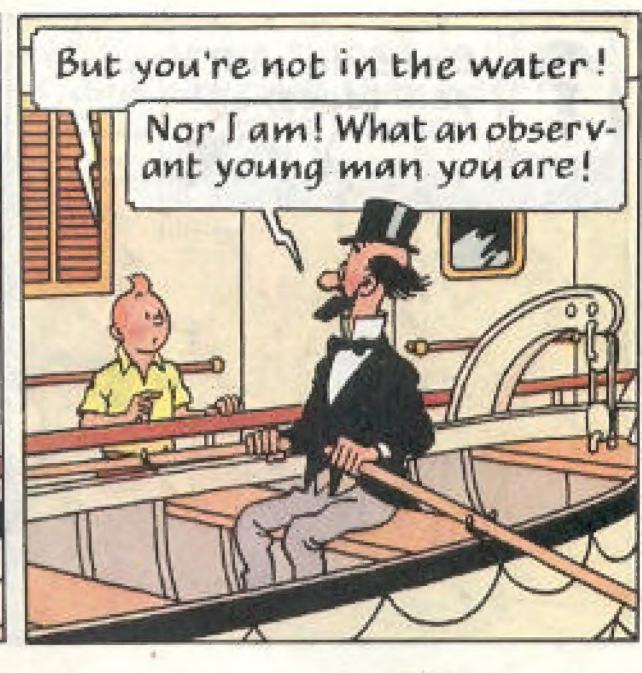




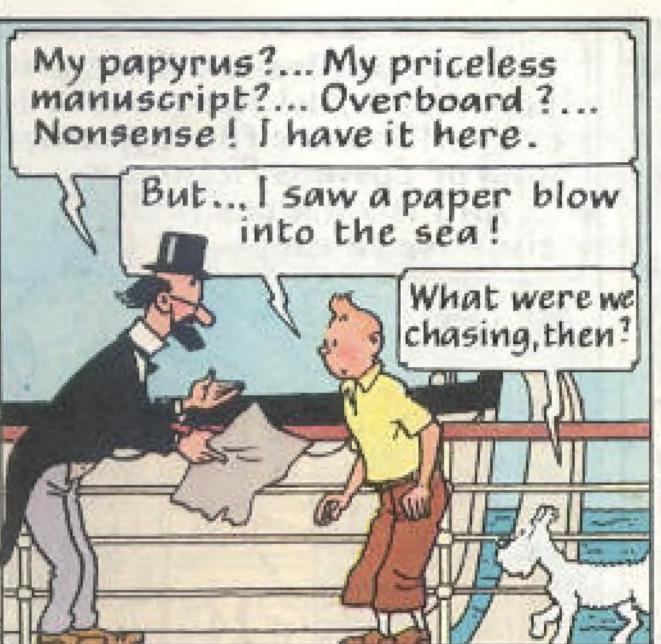












Oh, yes... I remember now; it was just a travel brochure. You don't really think I'd let go of this do you?... My magnificent papyrus... the key to the lost tomb of the Pharaoh Kih-Oskh. Scores of Egyptologists have tried to find the spot...



Every single one has vanished!
But I, Sophocles Sarcophagus,
shall be the first to reveal
this wonder to the world.

I hope you will... But tell 7/

me, what's that queer symbol?

I don't know. I think it's the royal cipher of Kih-Oskh. But if you are interested, why not join me tomorrow in Port Said. We'll go on to Cairo, and find the place shown on my papyrus.



Till tomorrow then. Goodbye, young man.





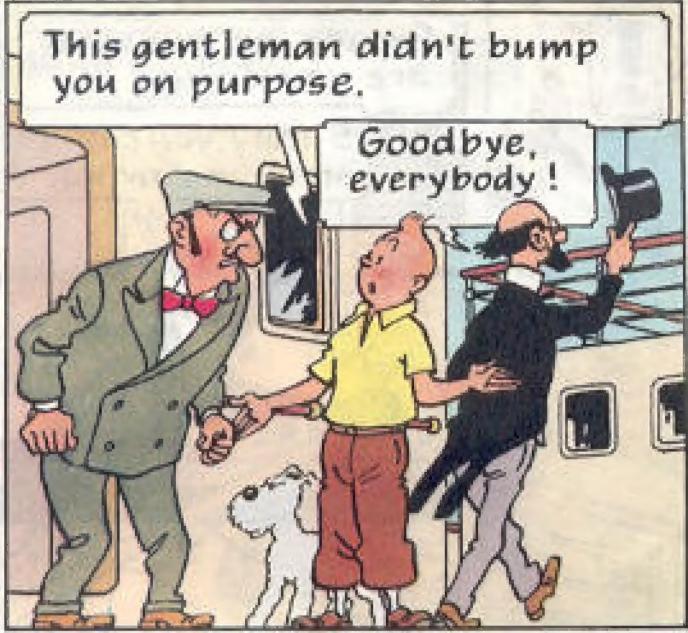








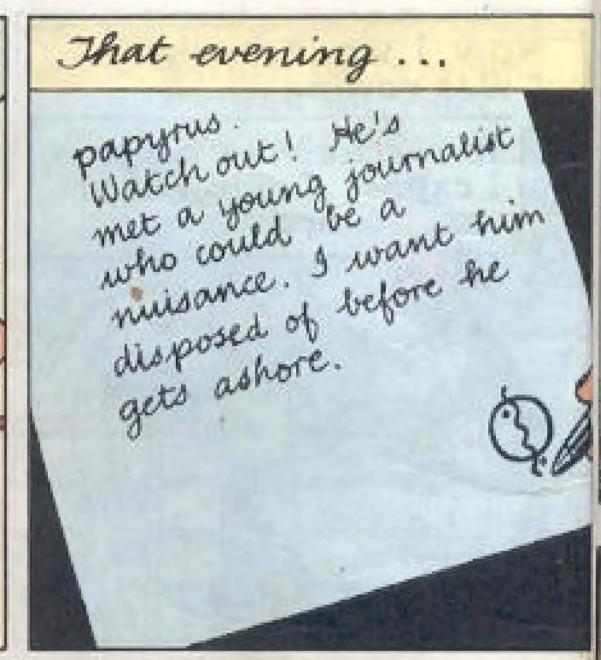


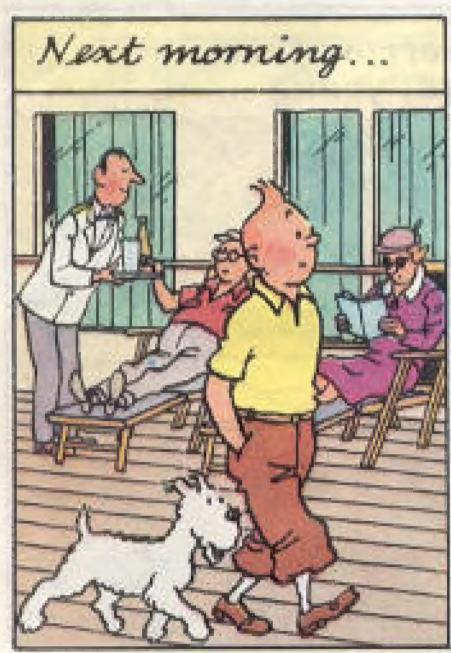


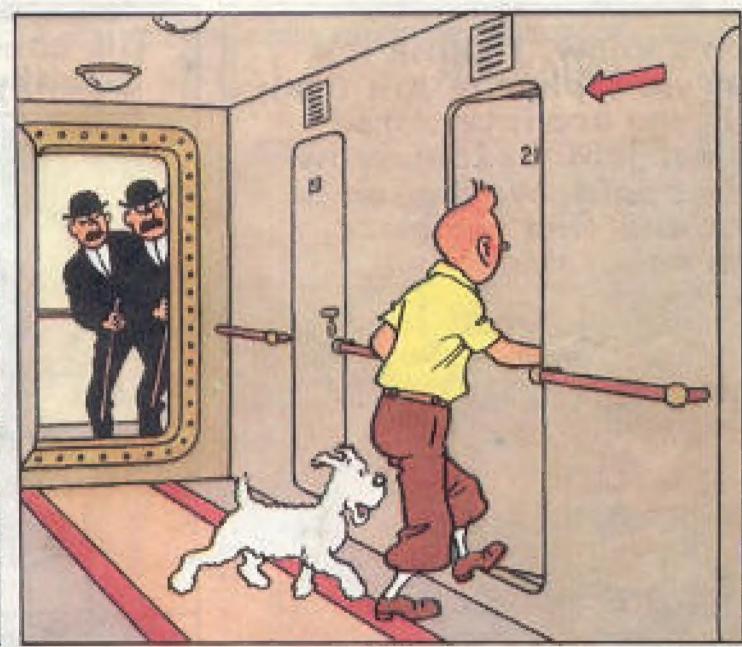


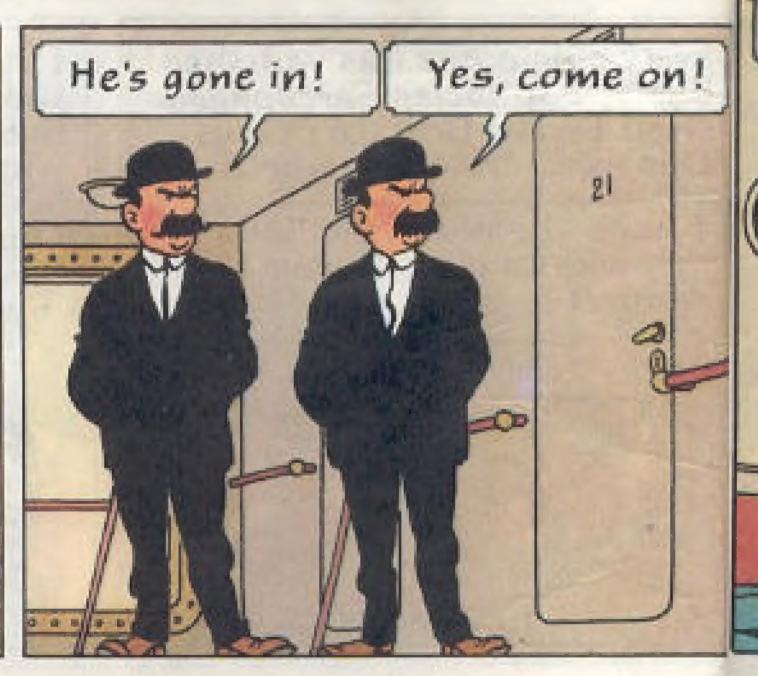


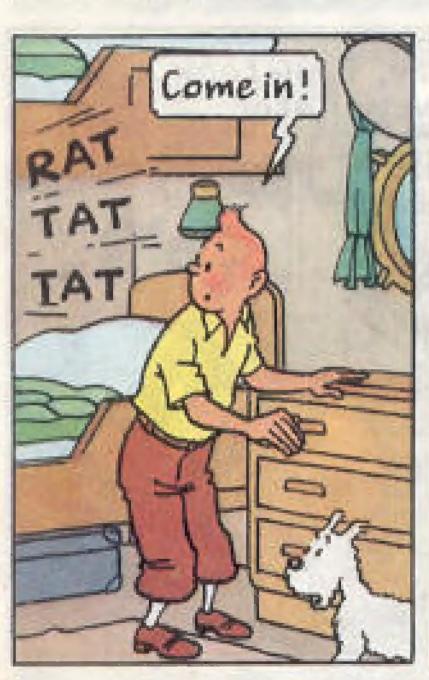


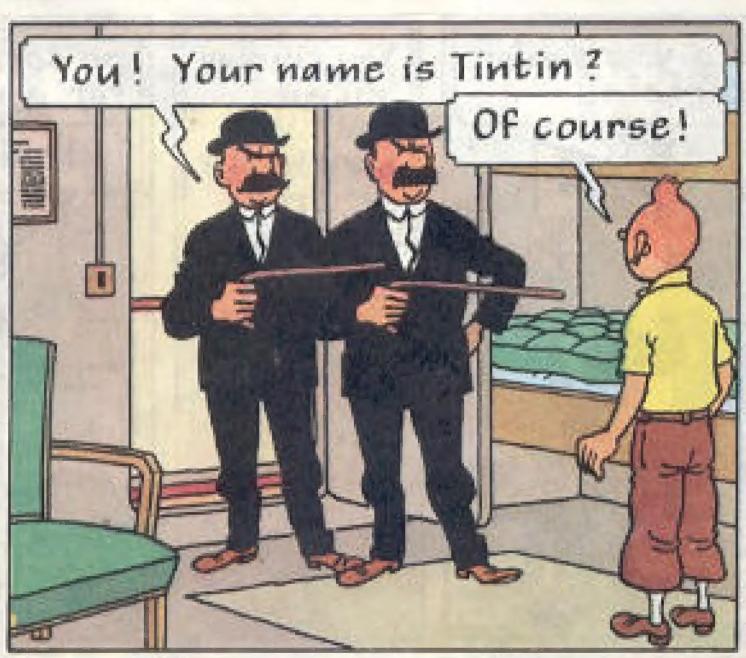


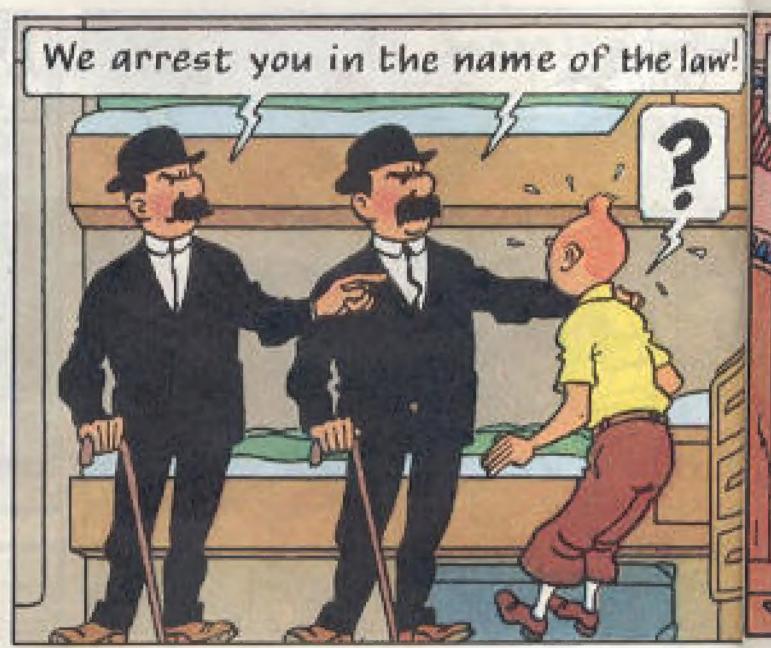






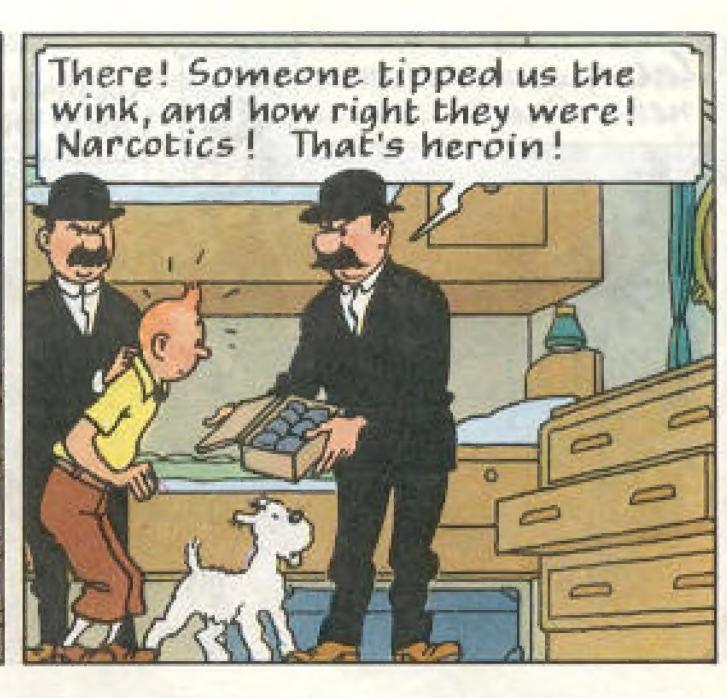






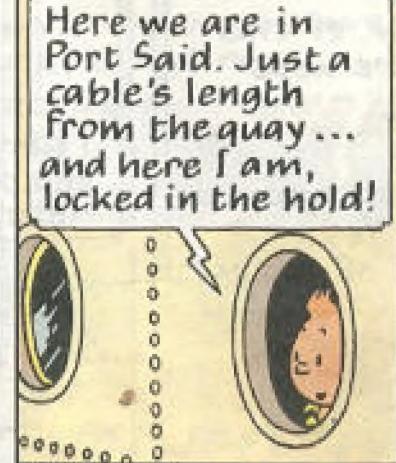




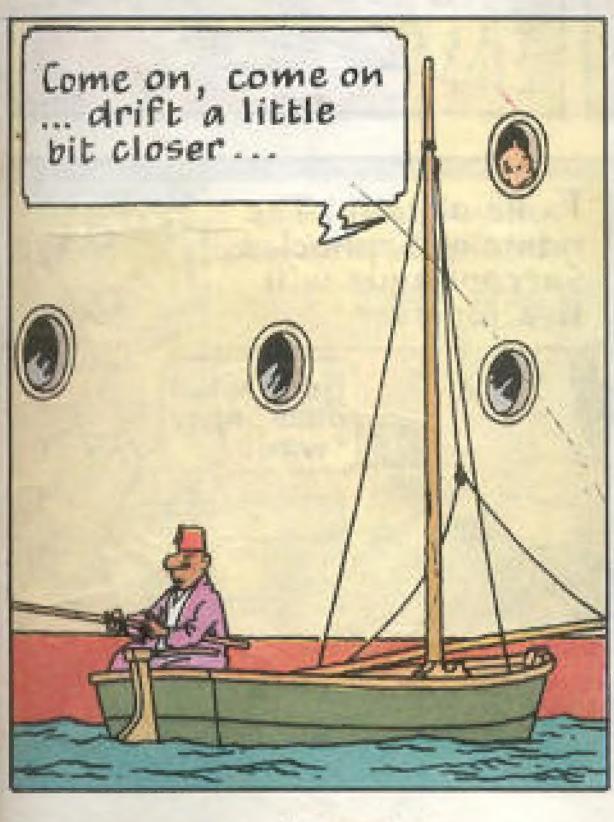


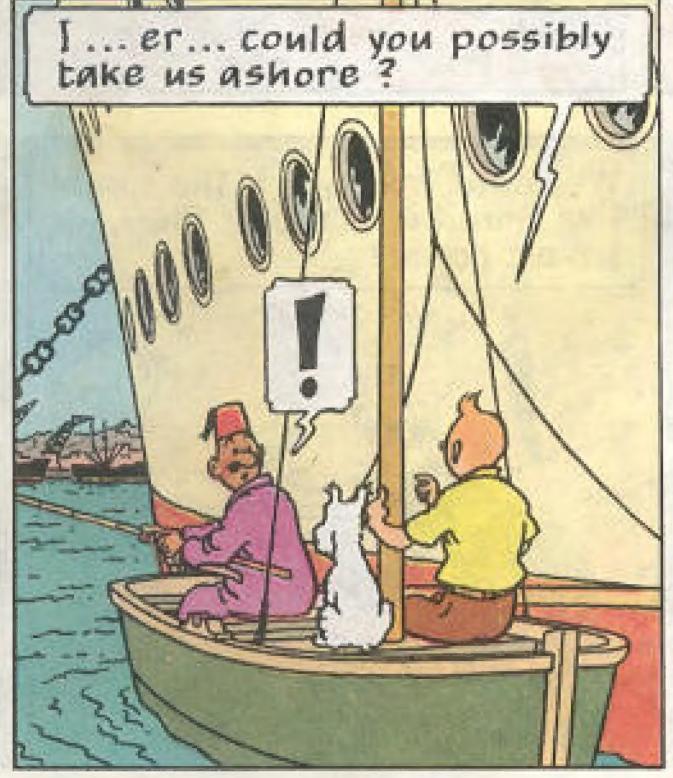


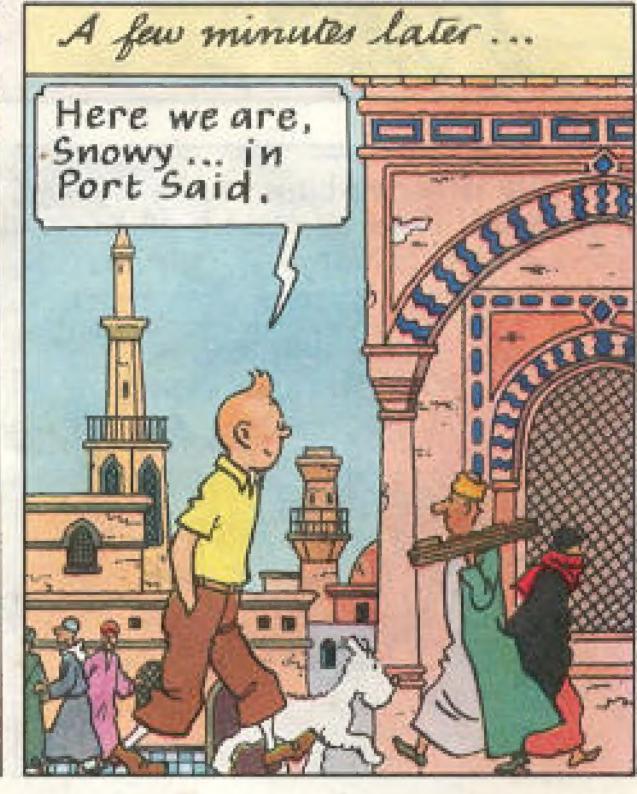




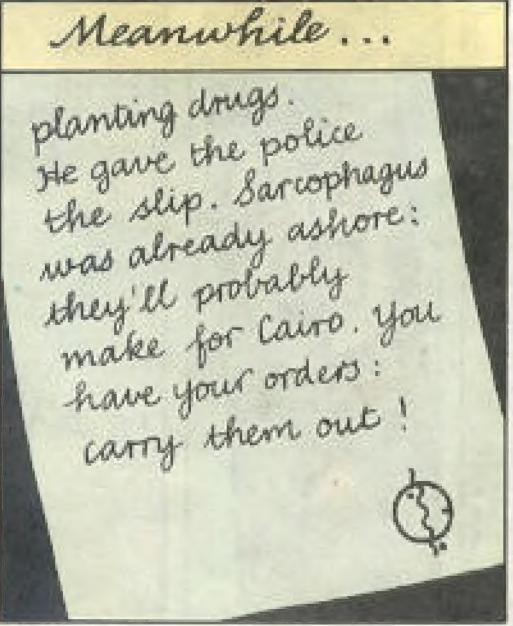


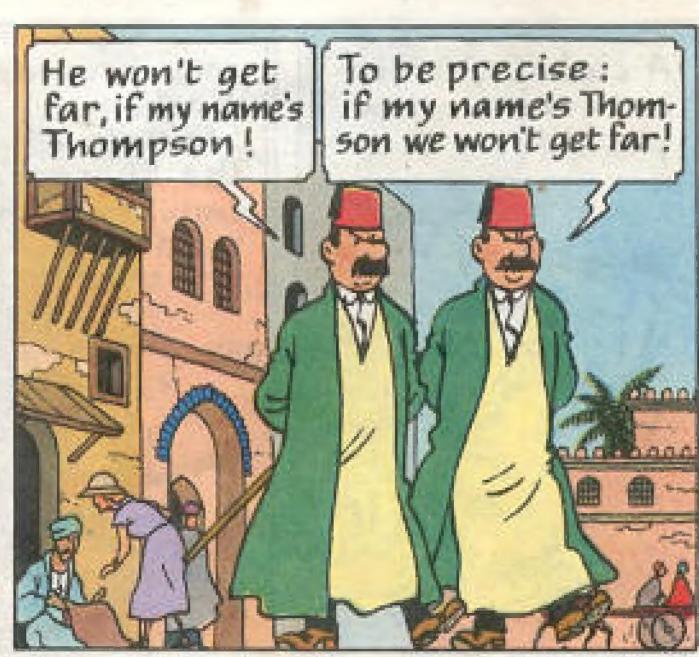


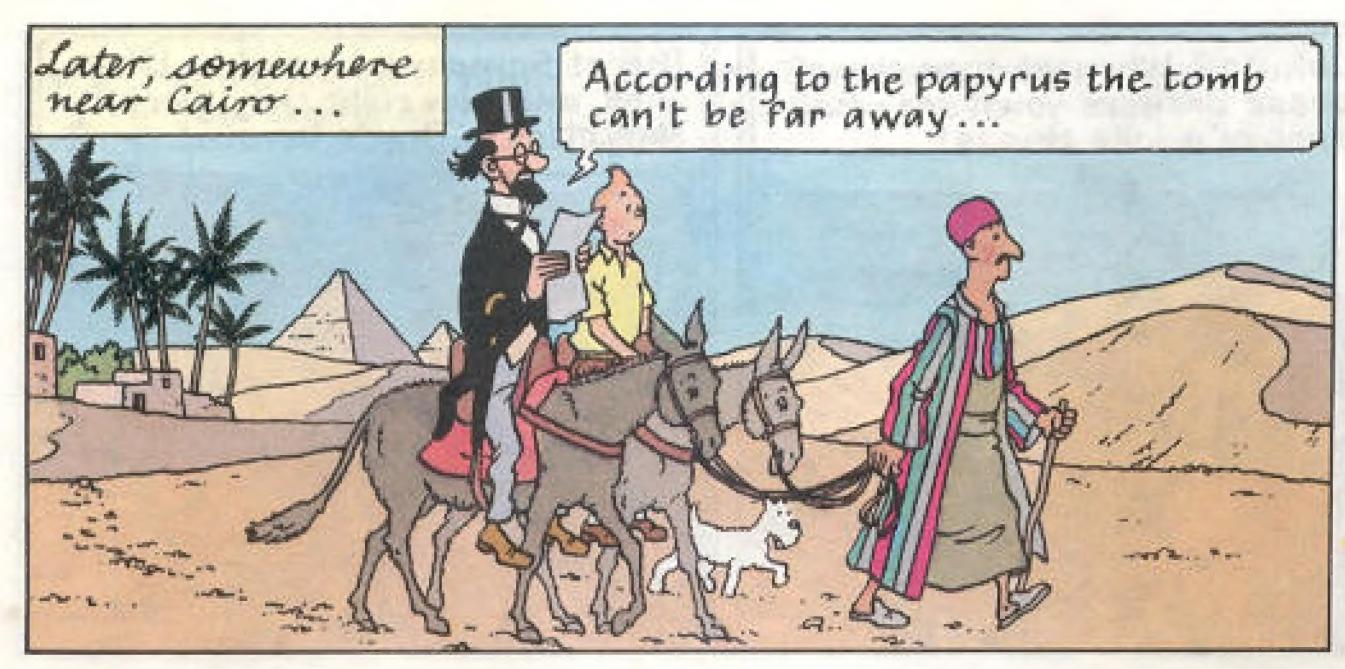


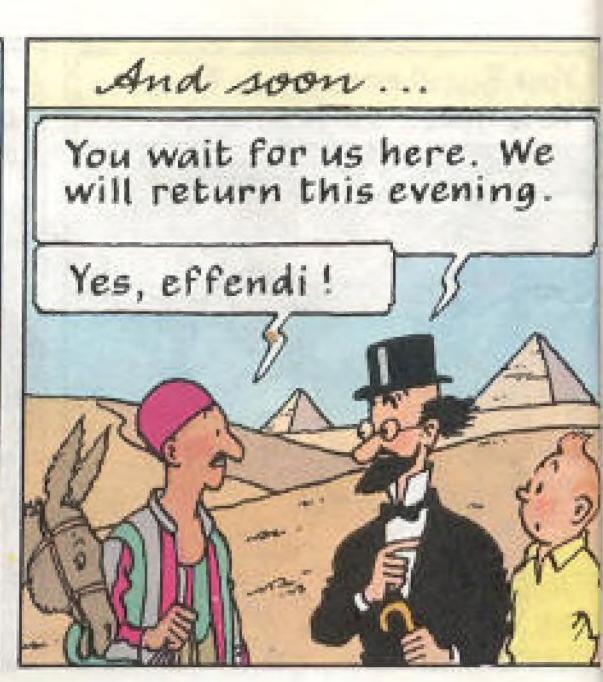


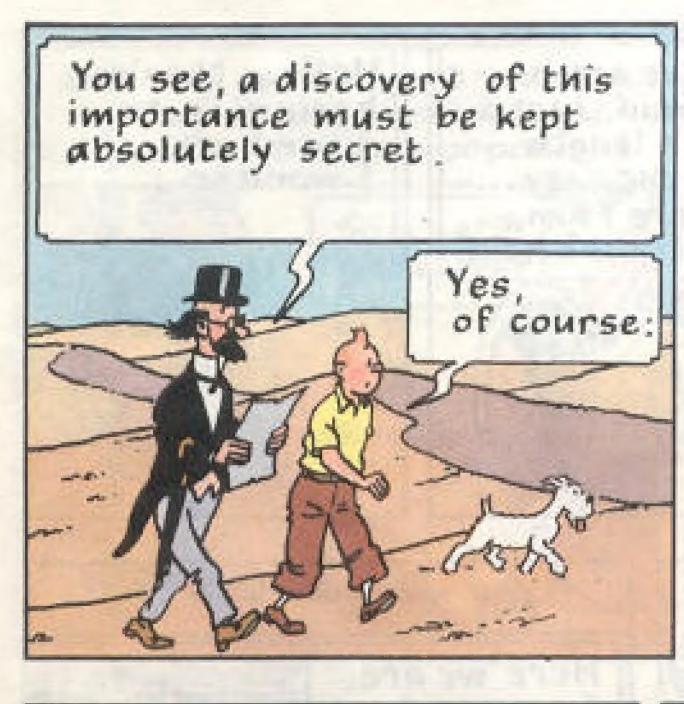


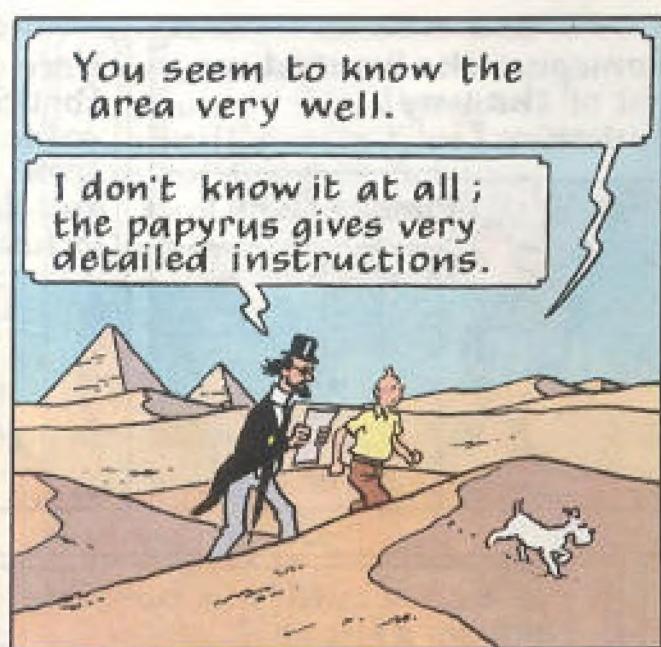




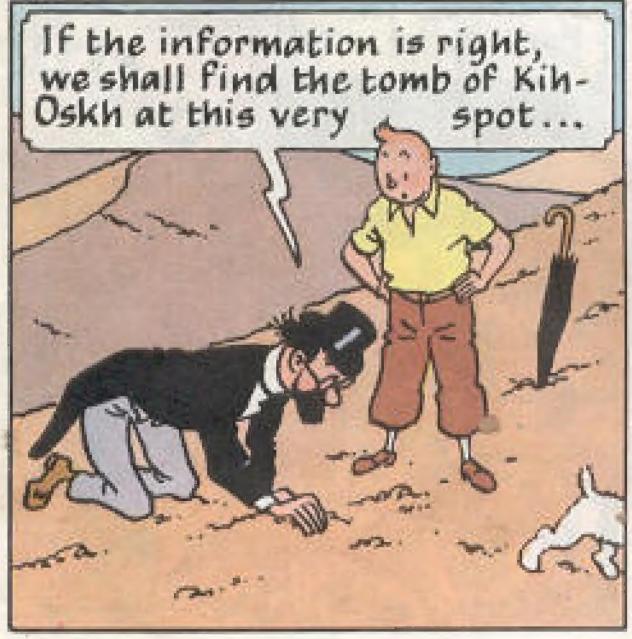


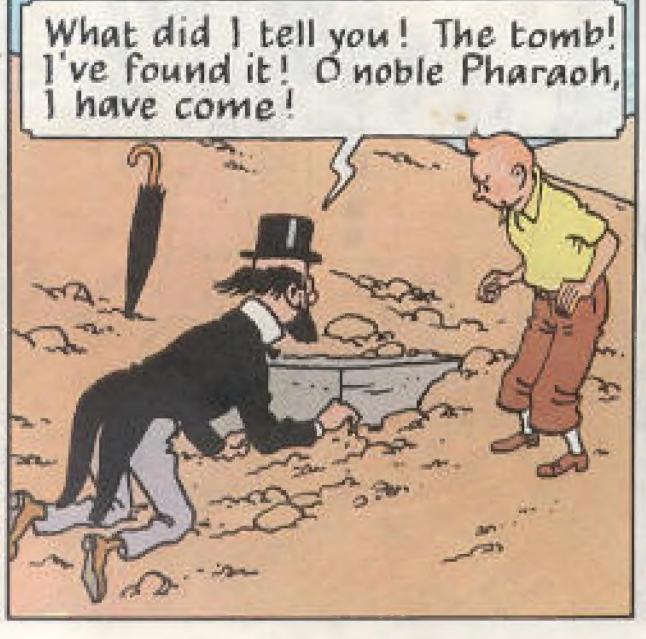


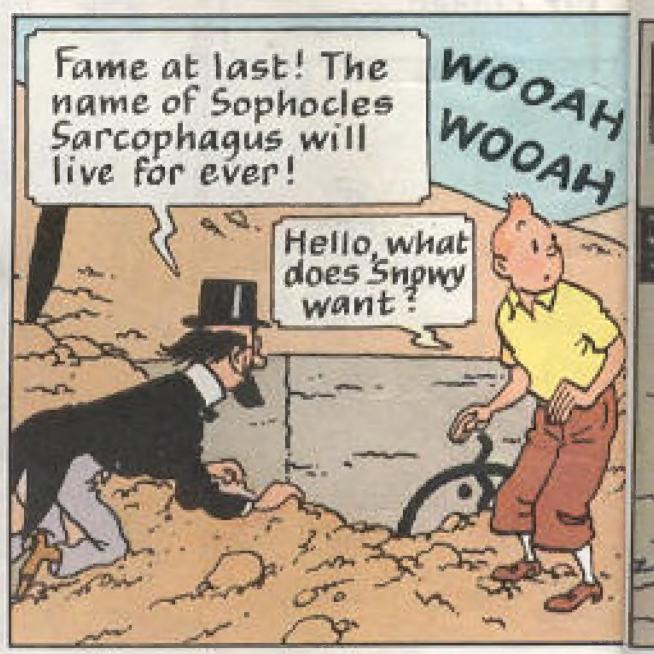
















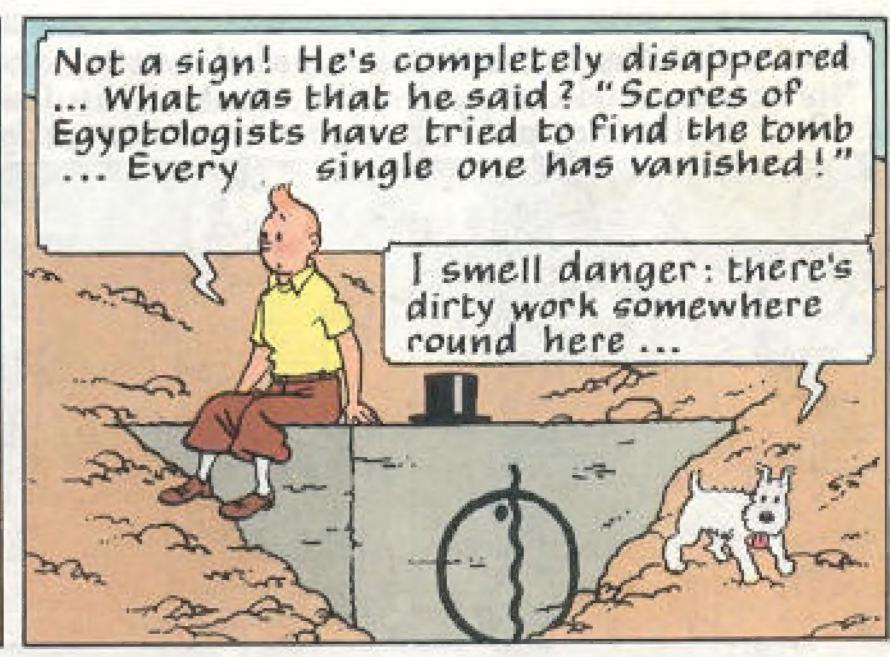






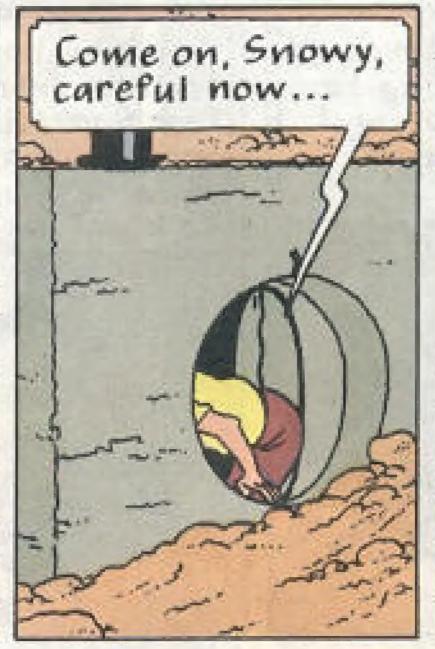


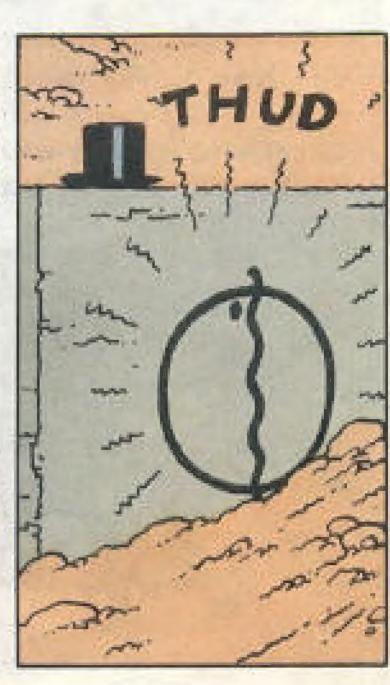












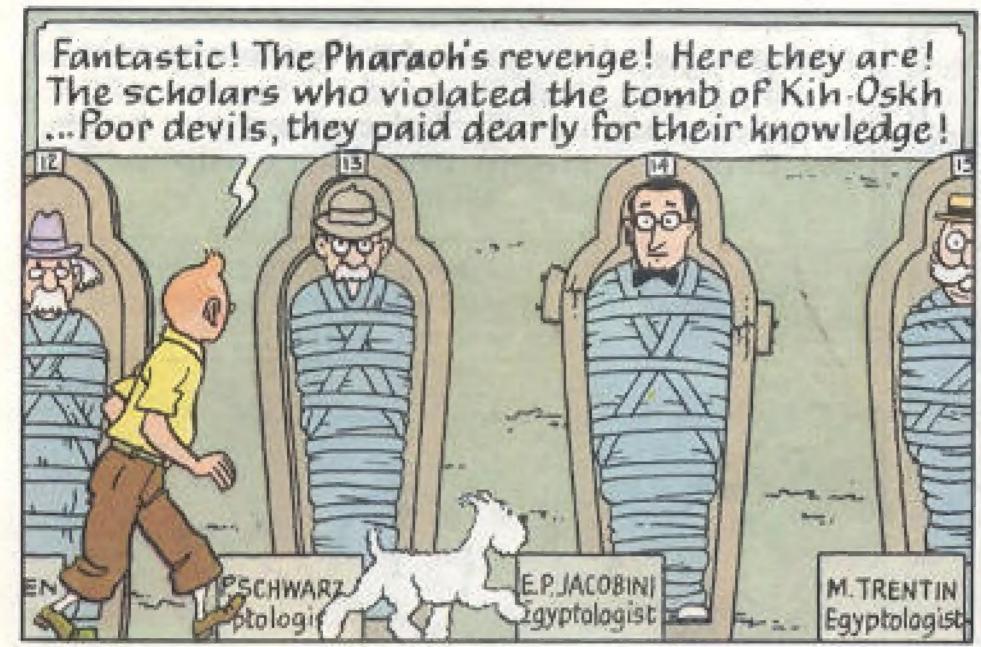


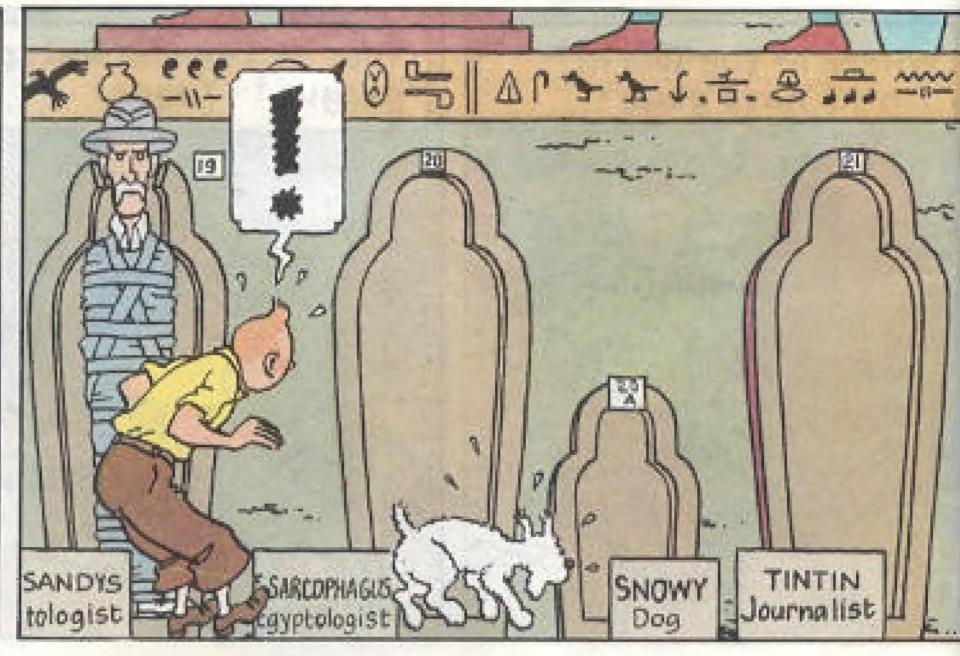




















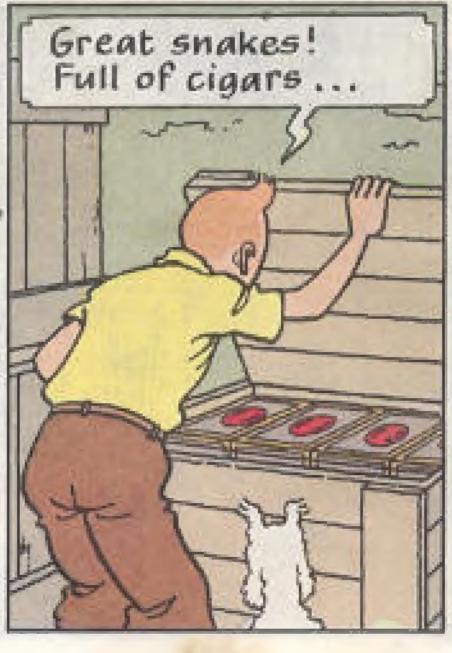


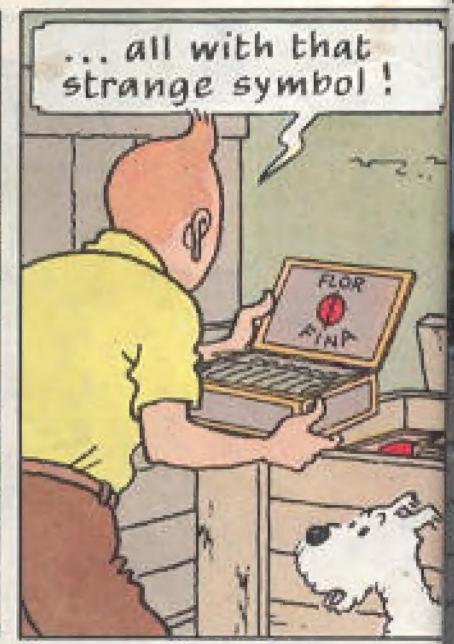


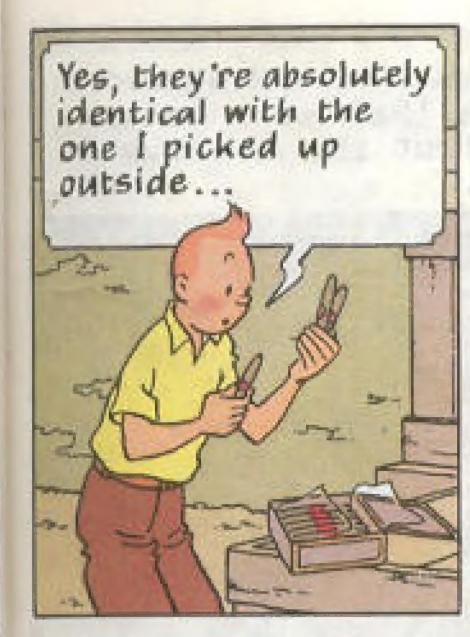




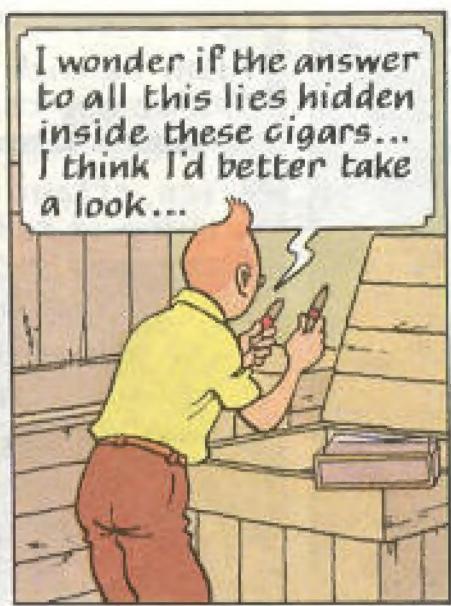


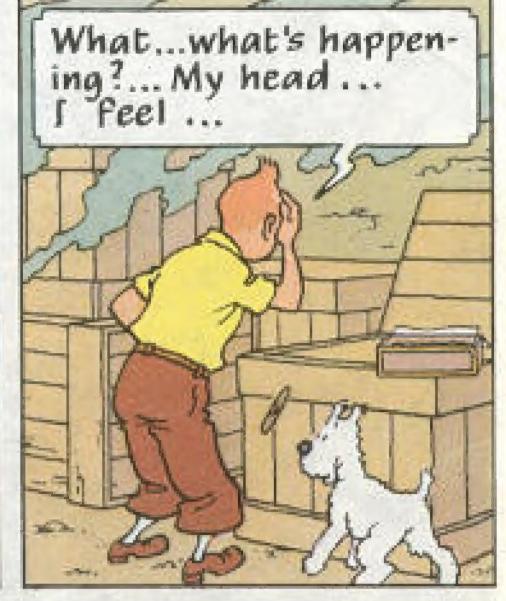












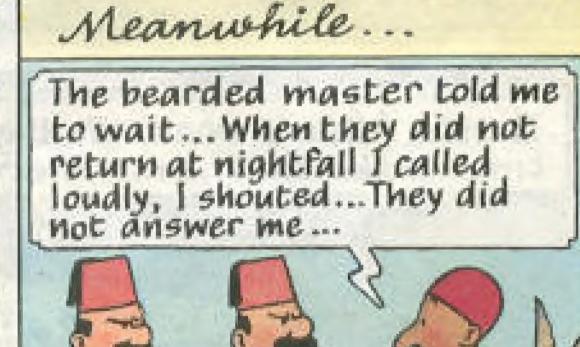














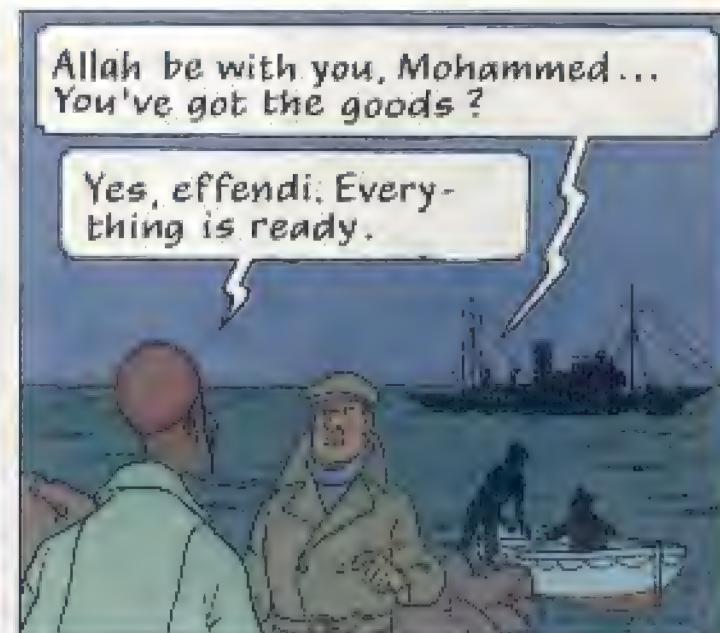
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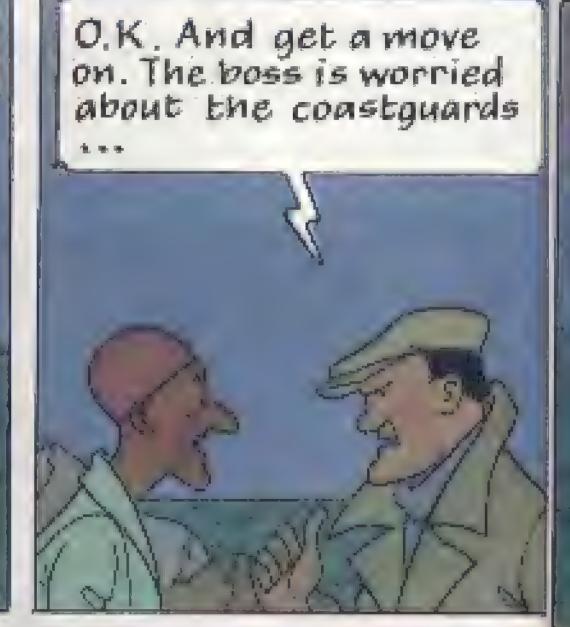


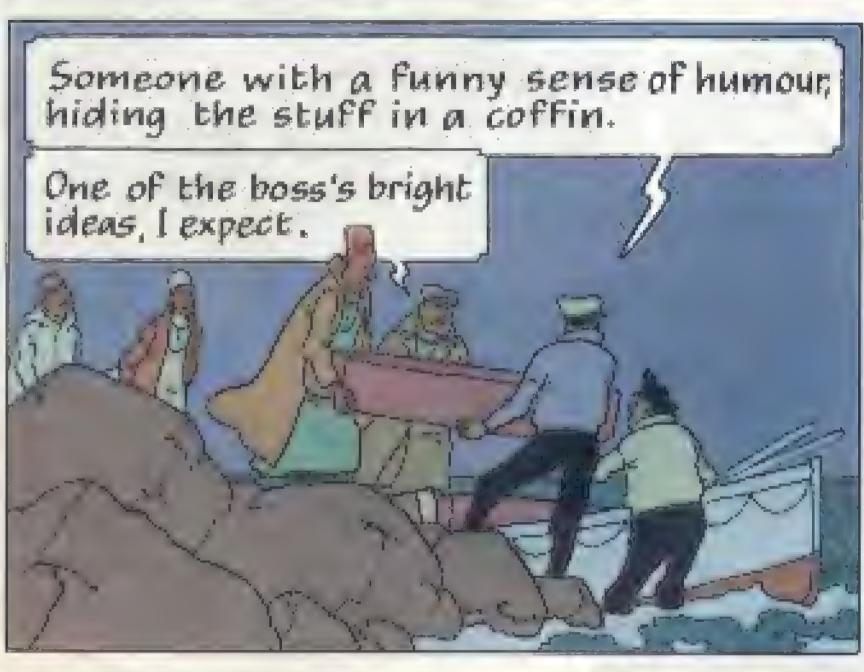


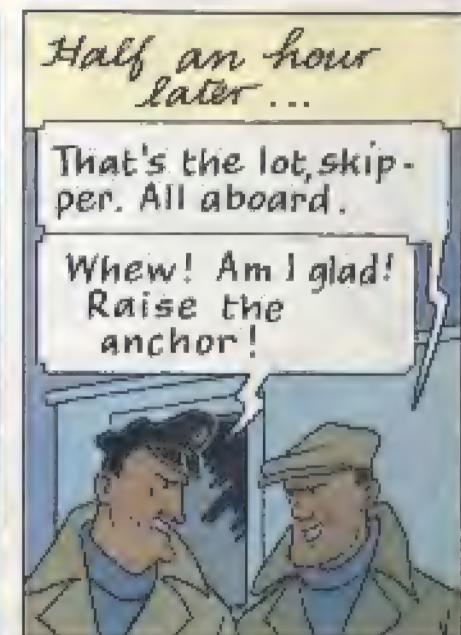




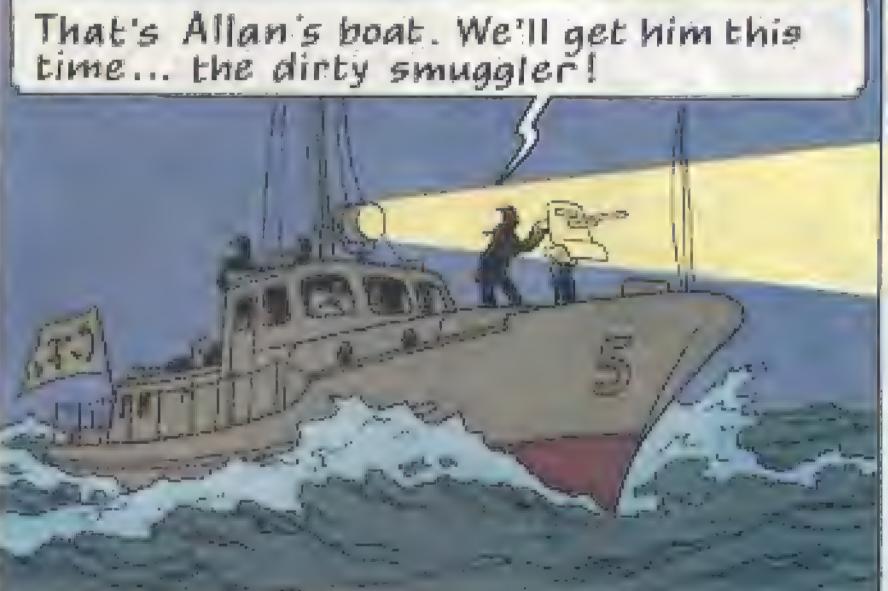


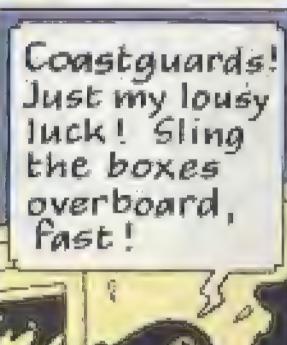




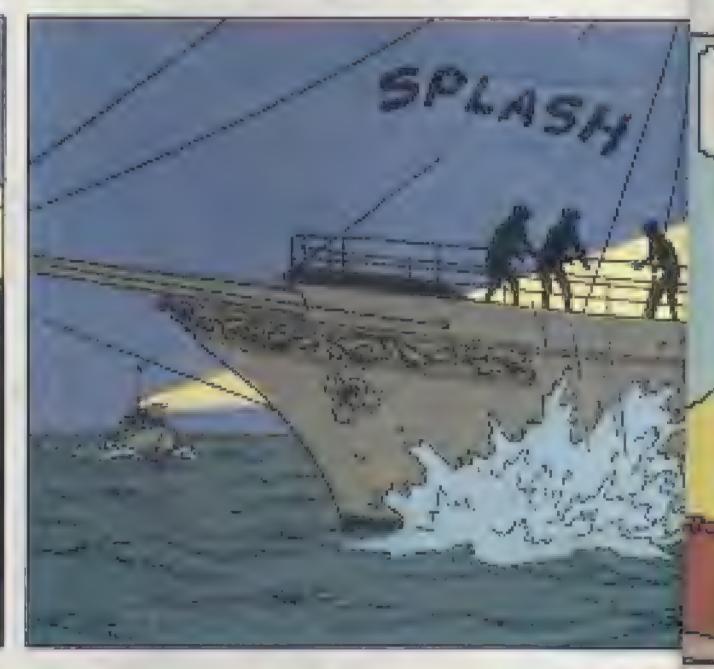


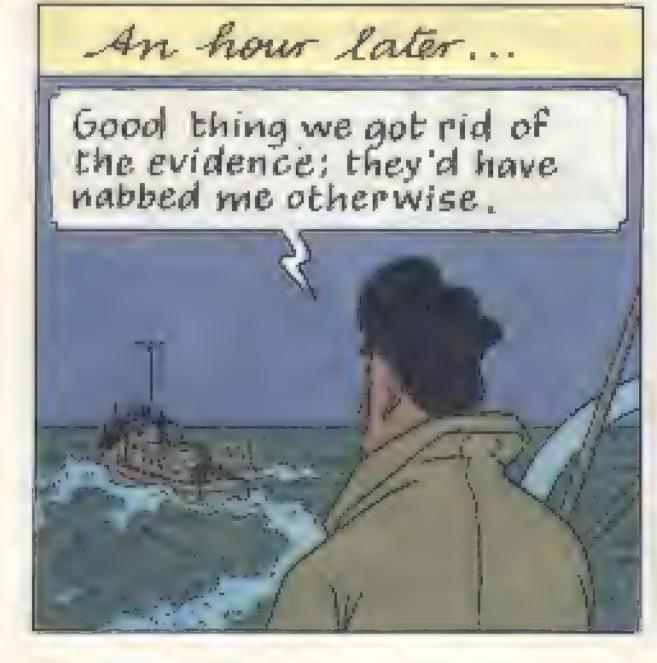




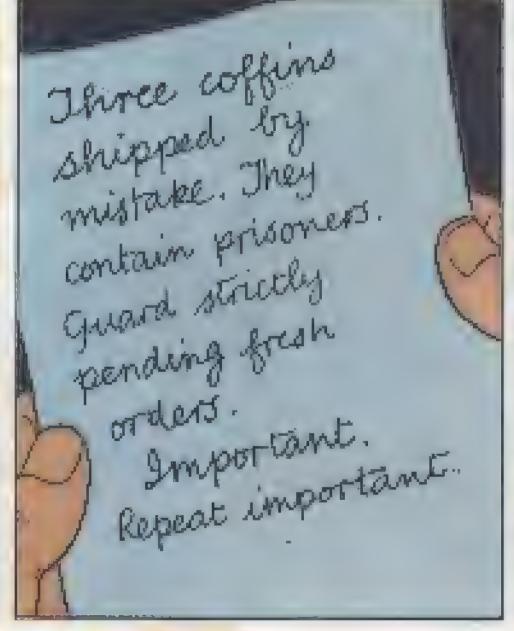










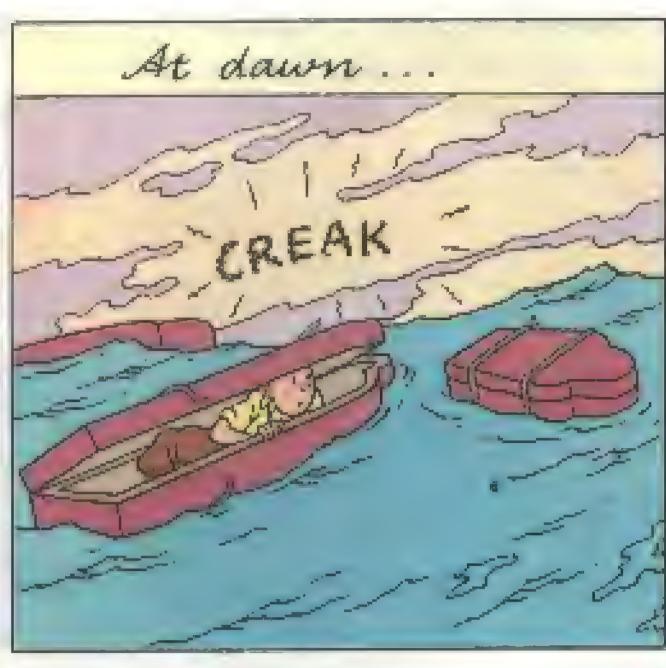




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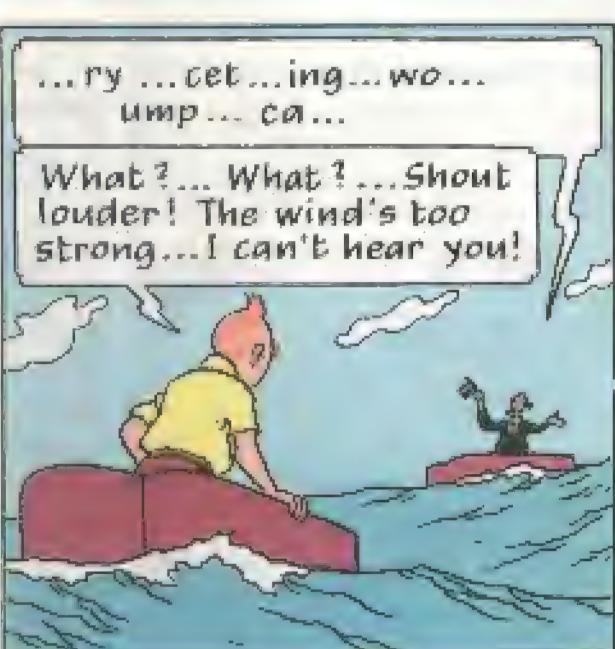
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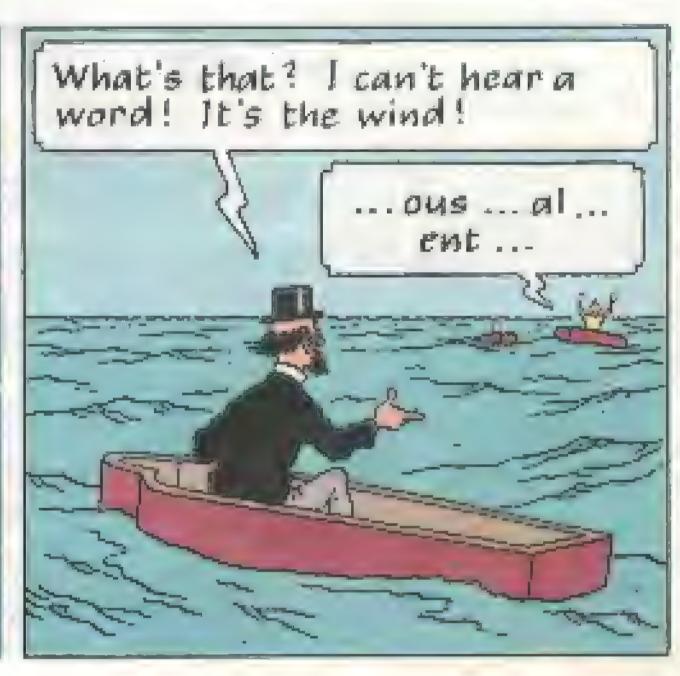


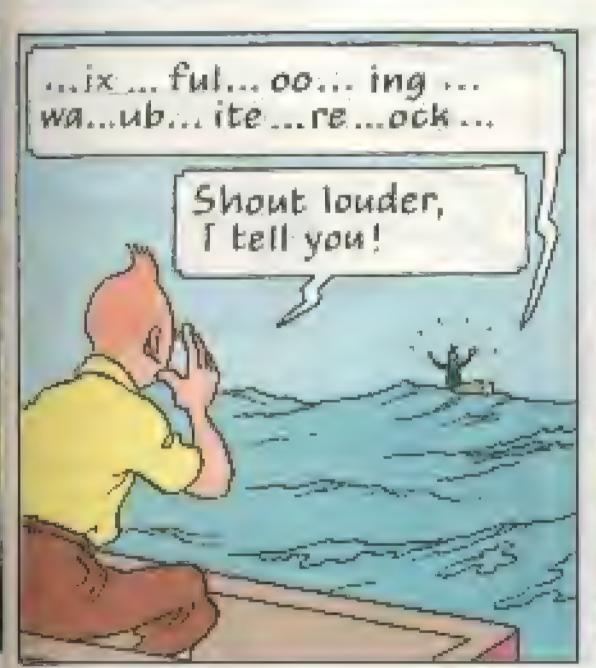


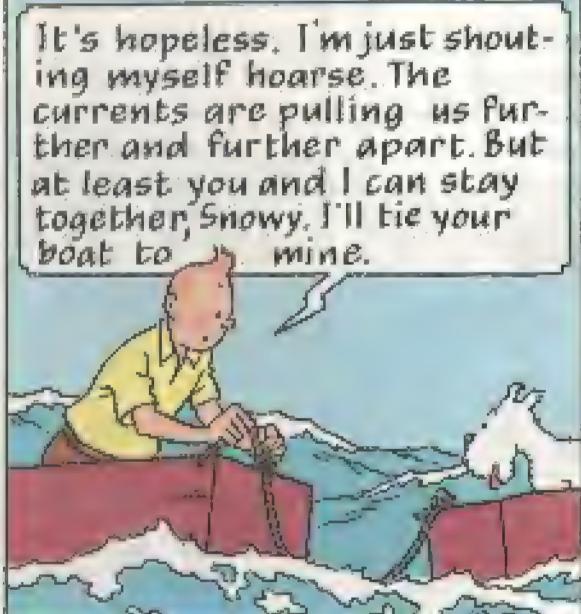


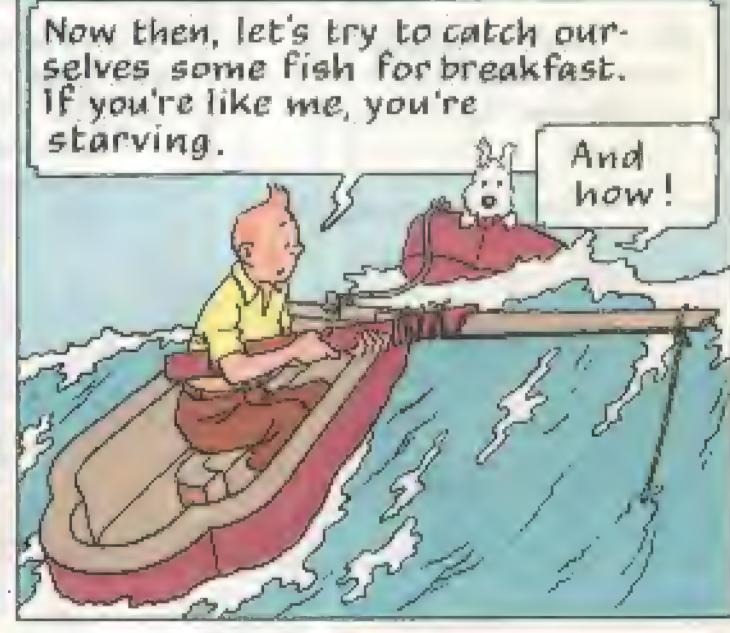


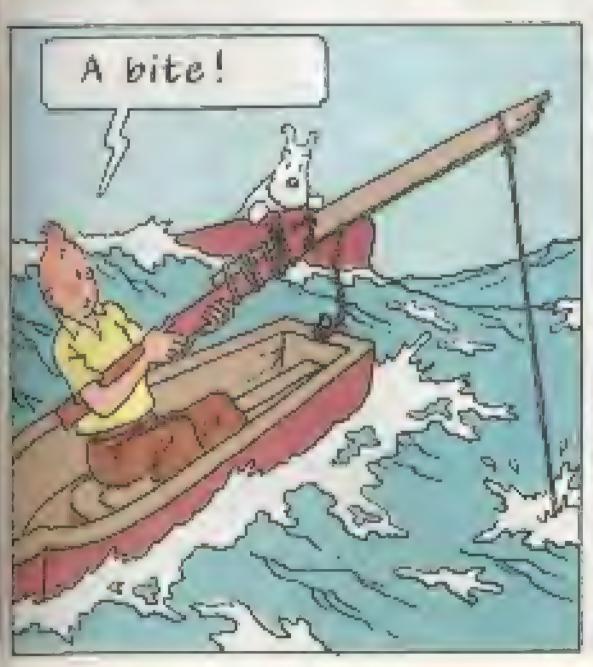


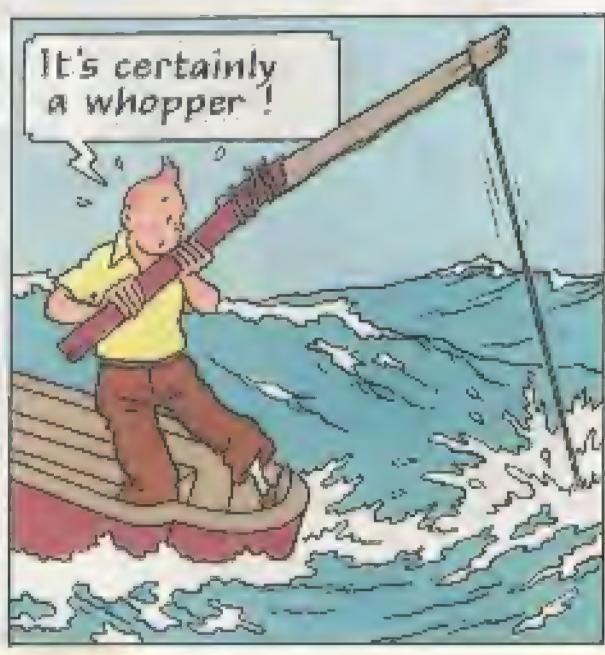




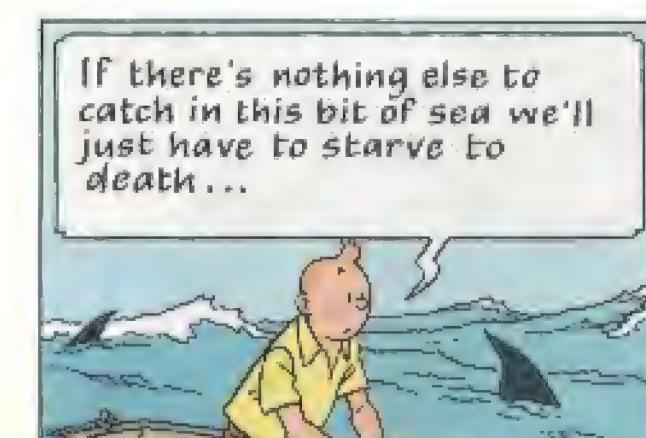


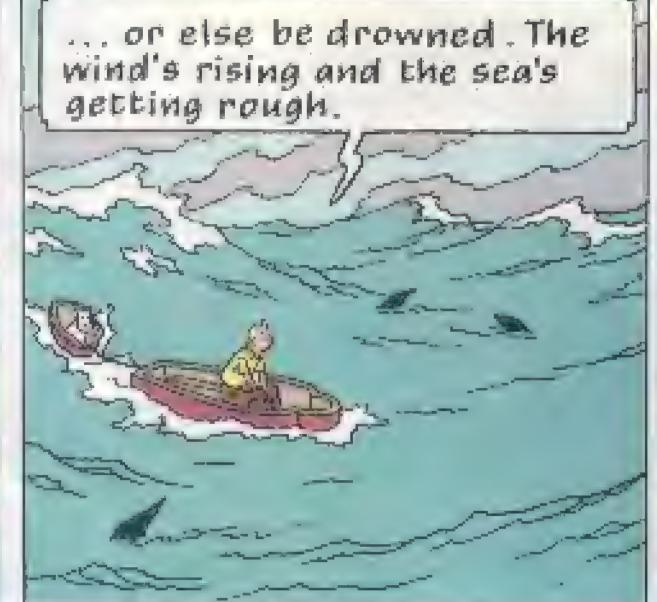


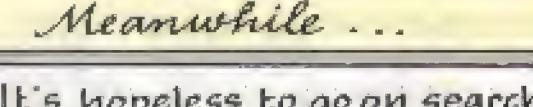




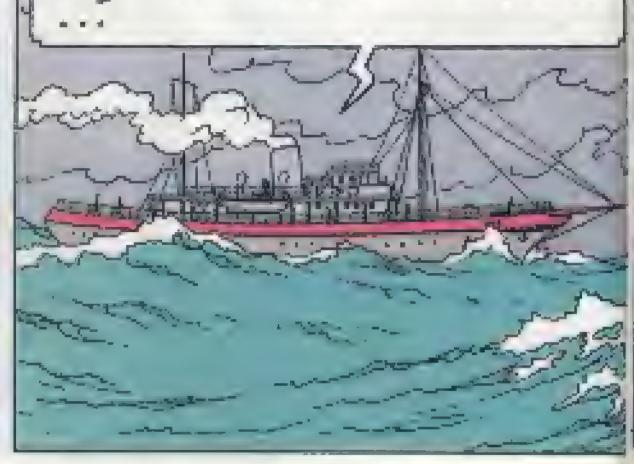








It's hopeless to go on searching. We'll never find them







Ah, I see it! Lower a boat and rescue the Ancient Mariner!



A few minutes later...

Retrieved one coffin with occupant Sophocles Sarcophagus. Weather worsening. Propose break off search.



As soon as you get a reply to that, bring it to me on the bridge.



Filthy weather! And the glass is still falling. We're in for a real blow!



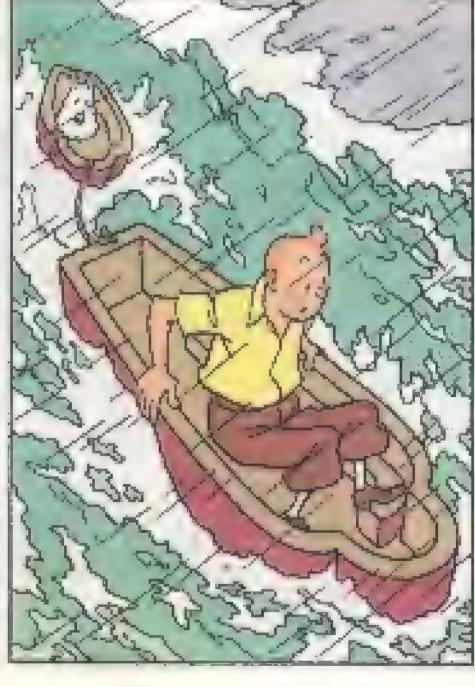
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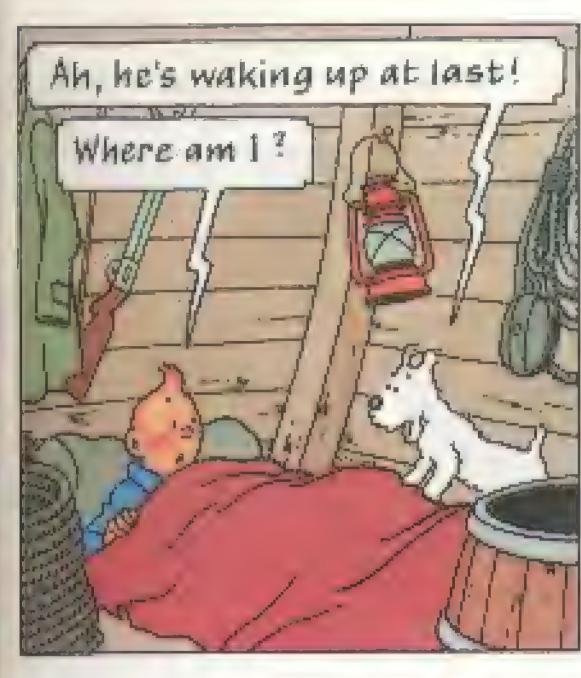
Secure your prisoner. If storm prevents further search abandon two other coffins and proceed to Rendezvous

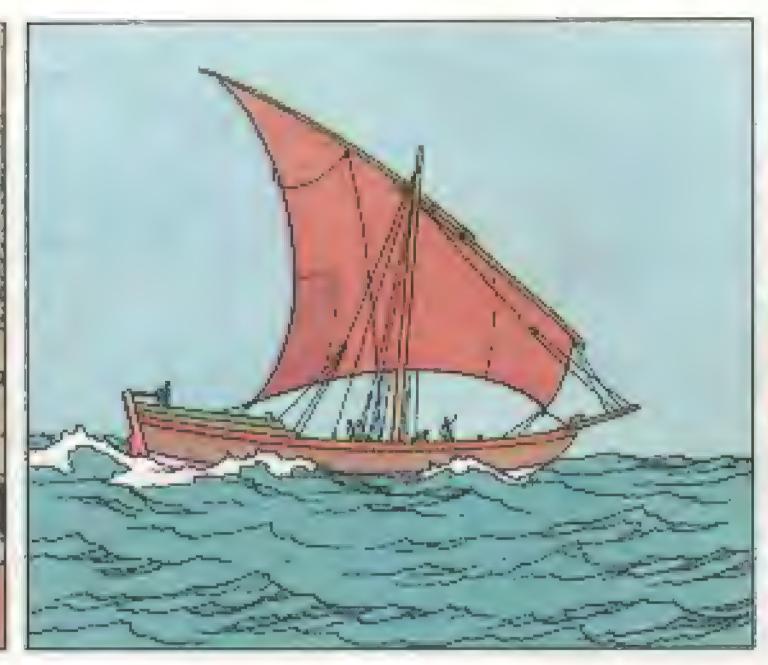
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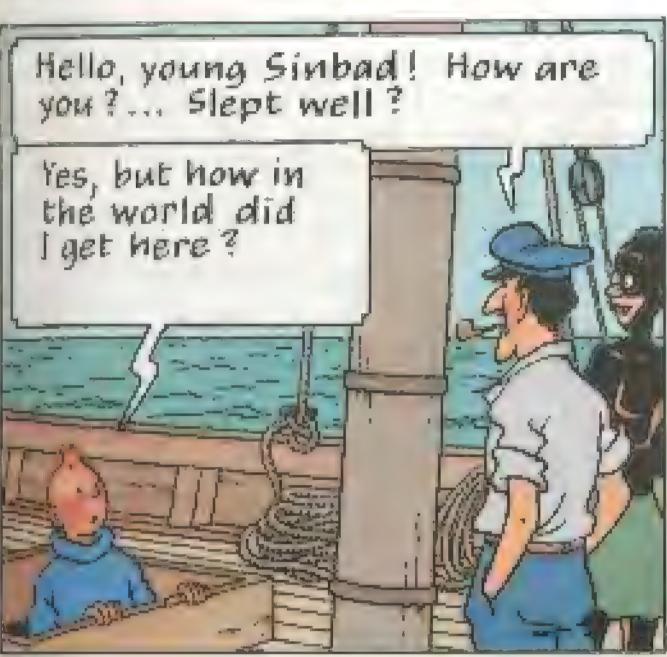


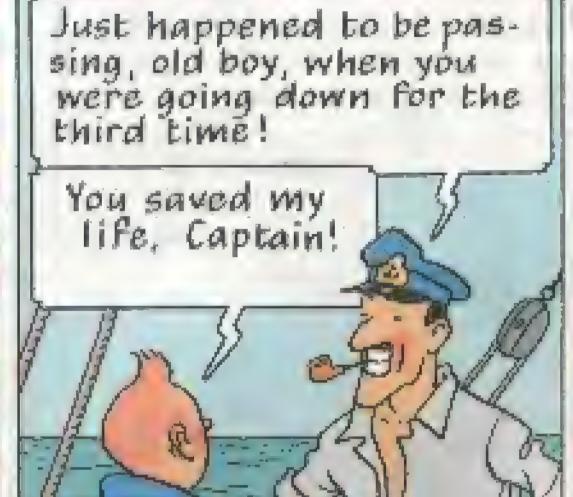


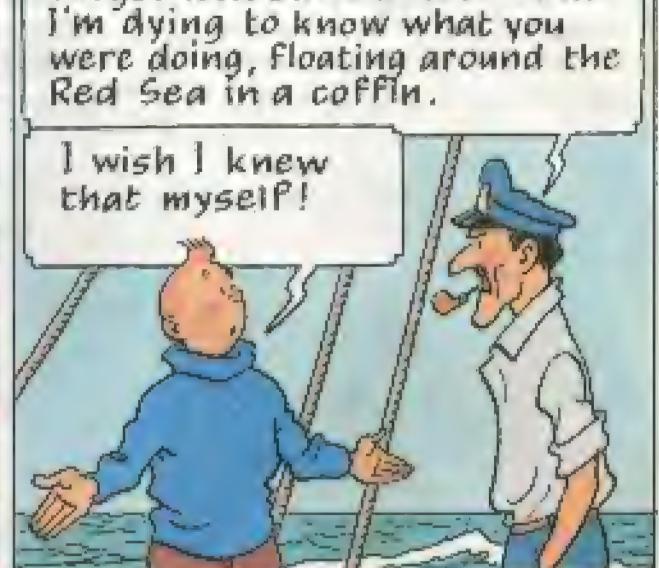












Forget it... But I must admit





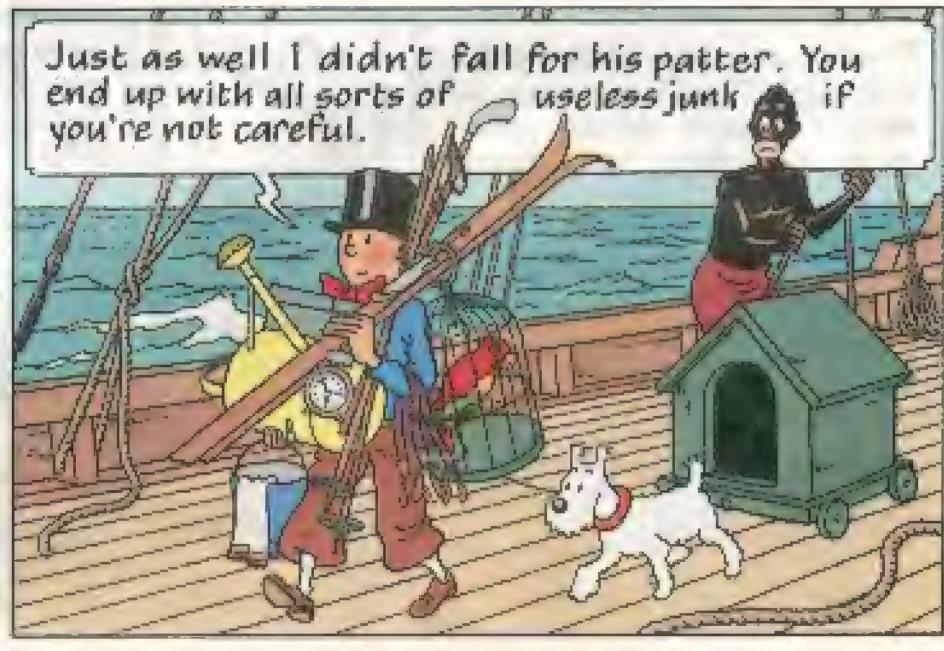


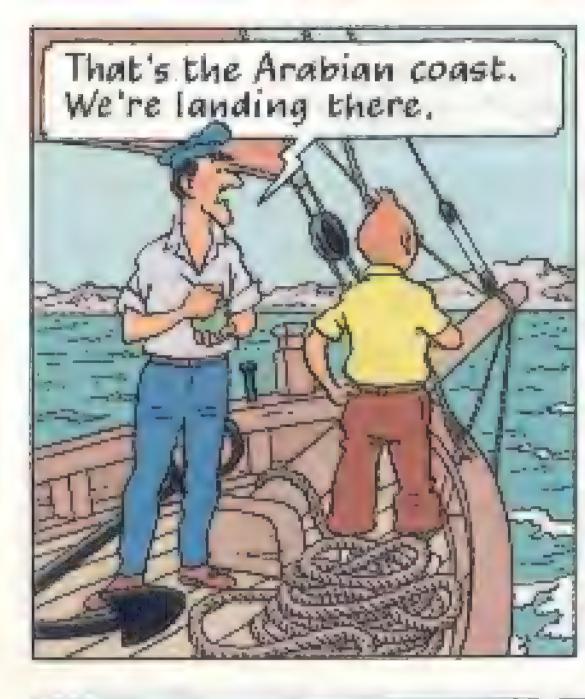
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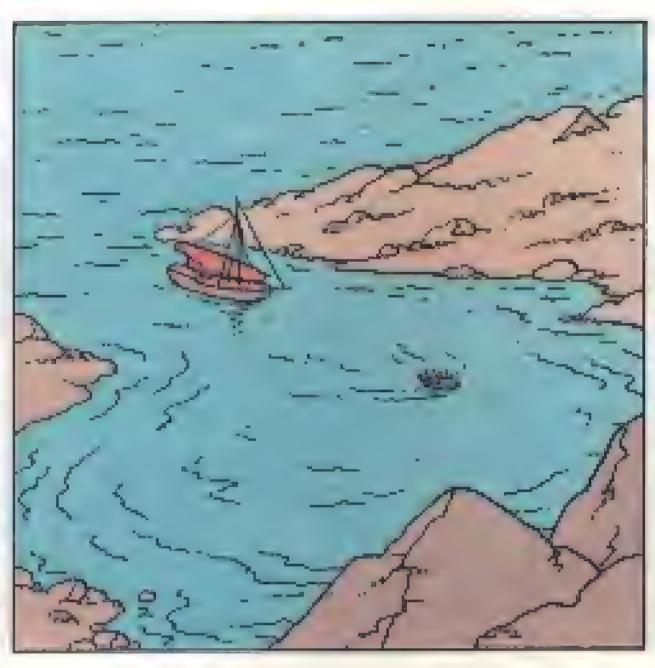


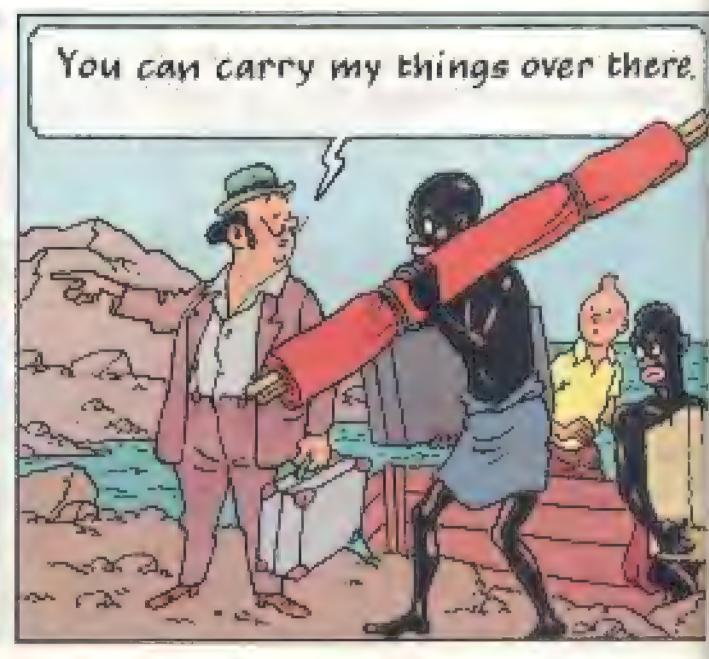












You're setting up shop? ... Here? It's the middle of nowhere. You wan't get a single customer!

Wait! I haven't started advertising yet.

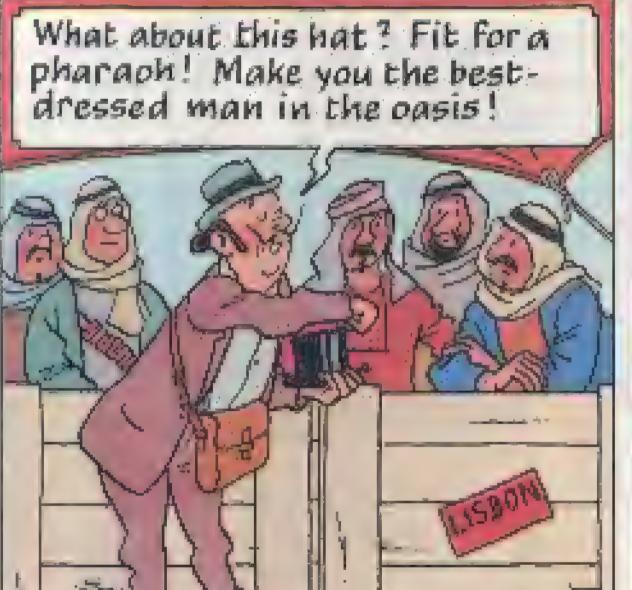


... bringing you the wonders of the western world. Walk up, my friends, walk up, don't be shy... don't miss this marvellous opportunity.

It's the solo supermarket!

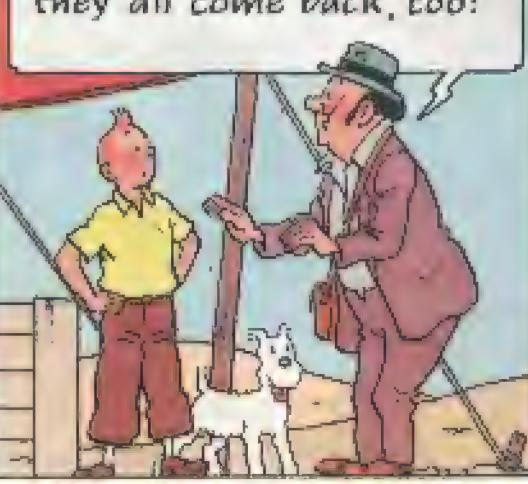
Roll up, roll up, lords of the desert. Act today, don't delay! Oliveira da Figueira is waiting to serve you.





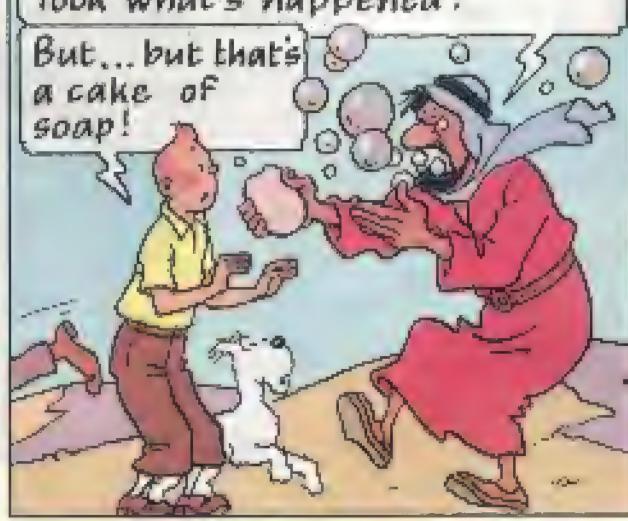


There you are! Clean as a whistle. That's salesmanship for you! What's more, they all come back, too!

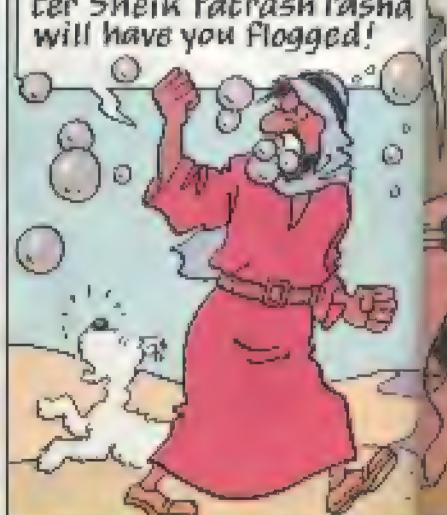




Son of a mangy dog! You sold me this cake! I ate it, and now look what's happened!



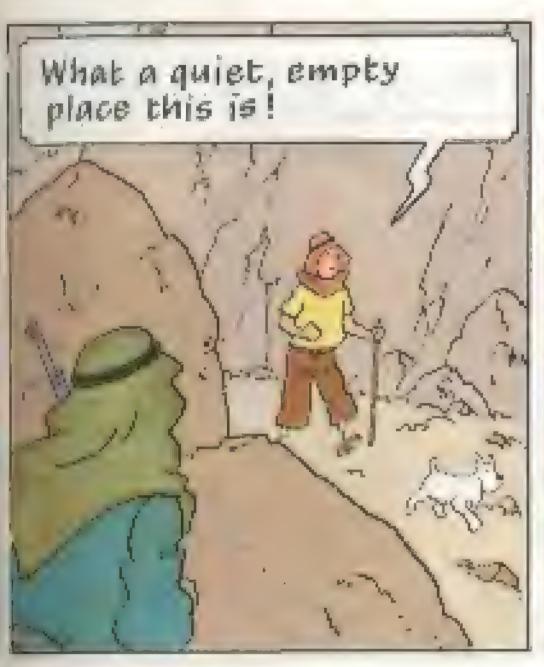
Before the new moon rises, by Allah, my mas ter Sheik Patrash Pasha will have you flogged!



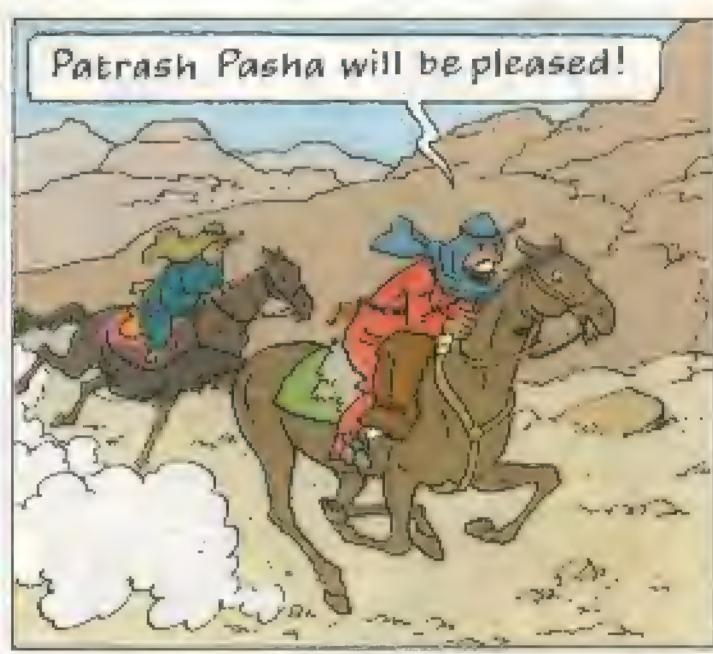


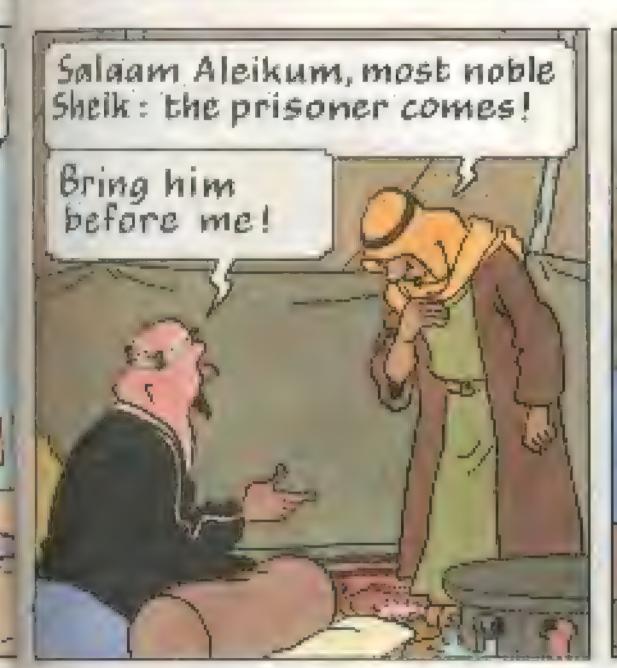


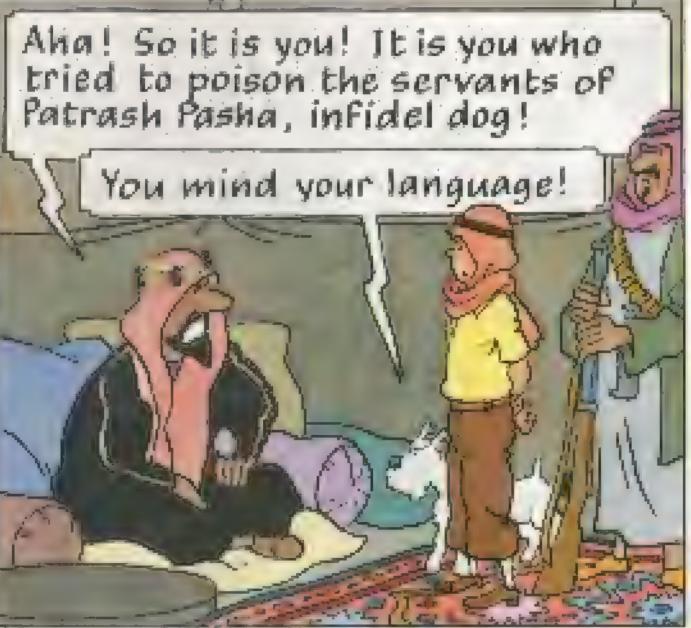


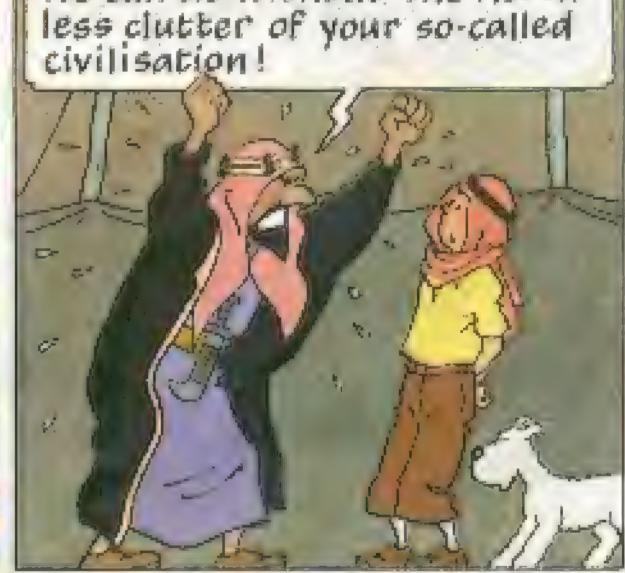








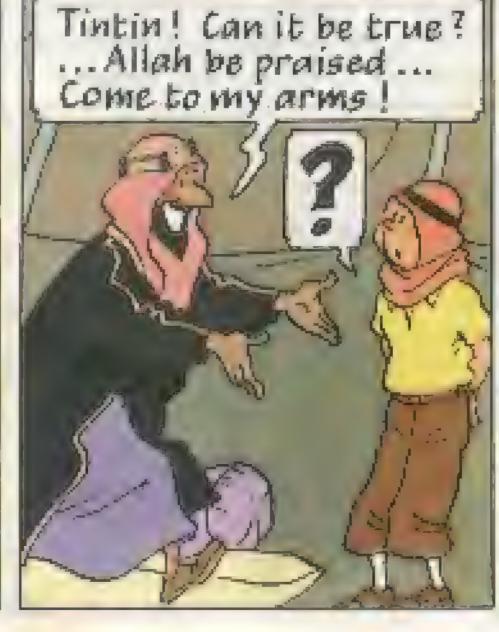


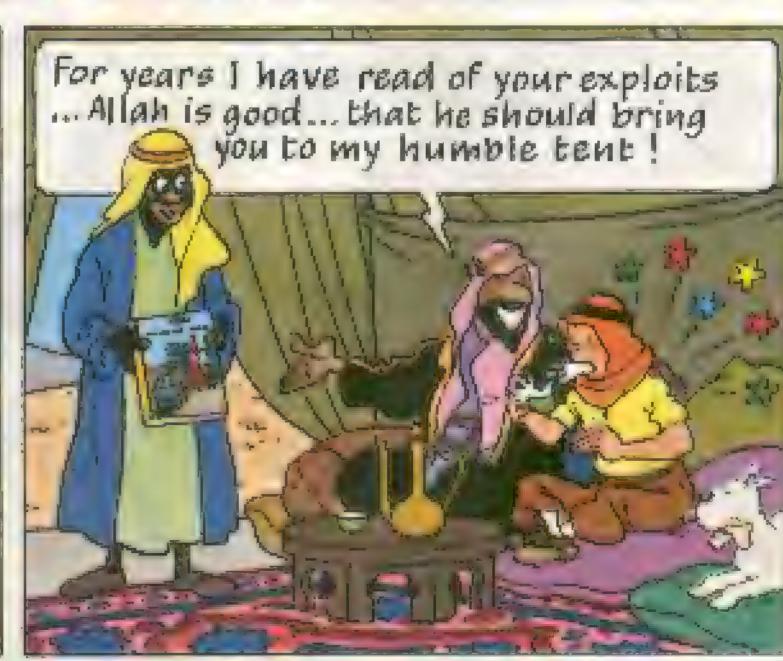


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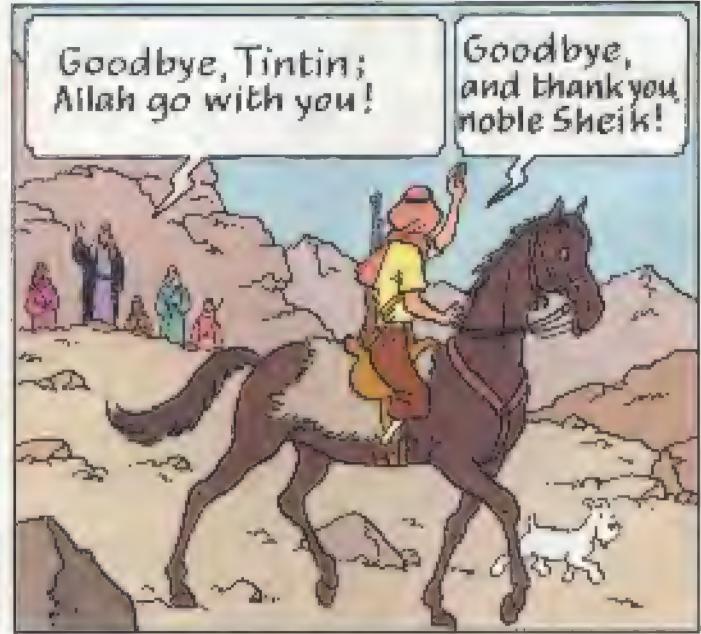


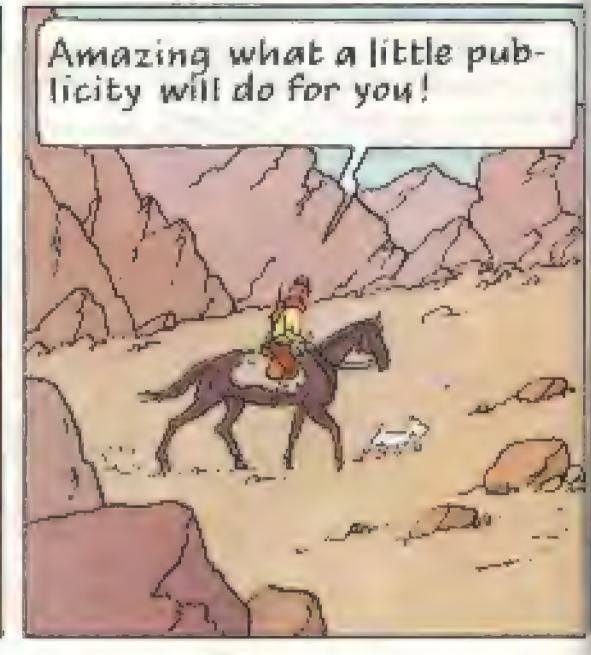


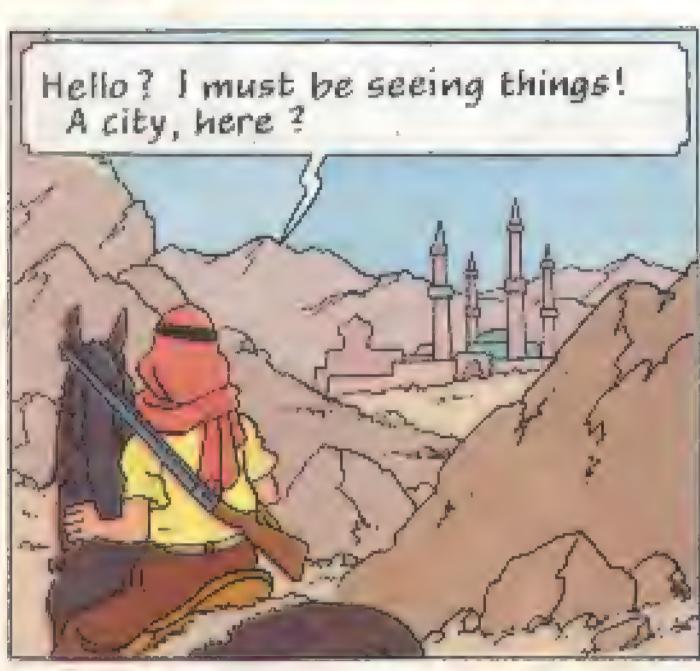


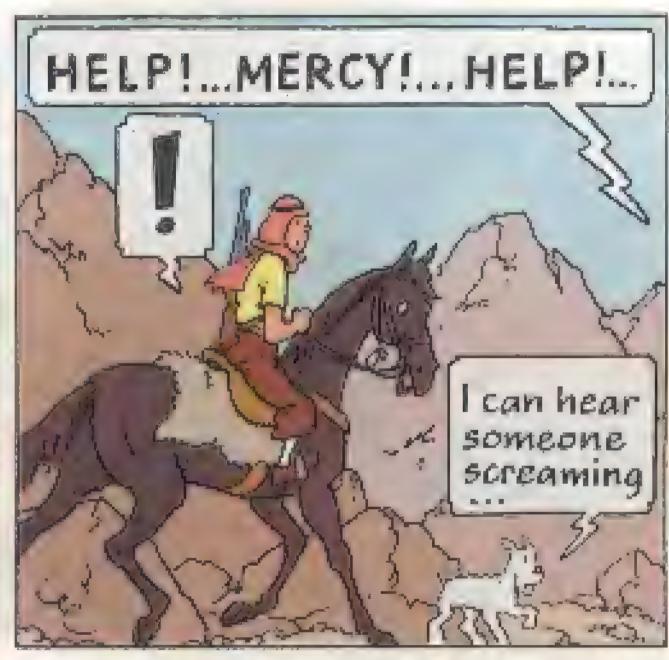


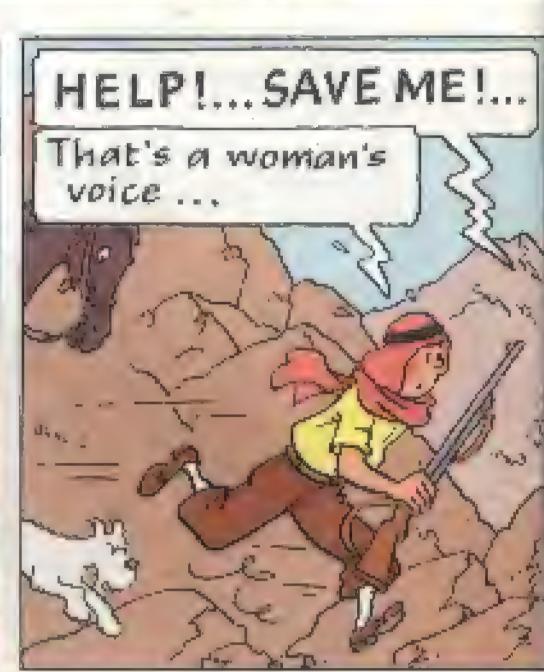








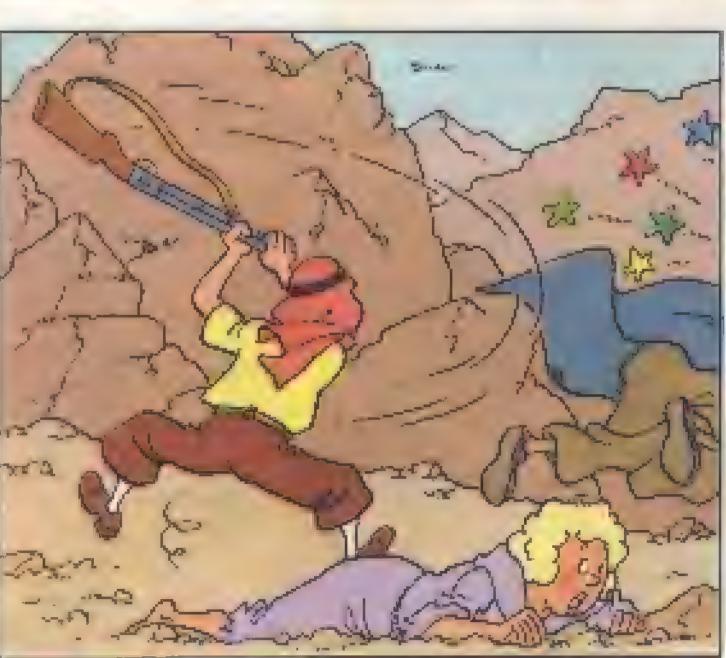


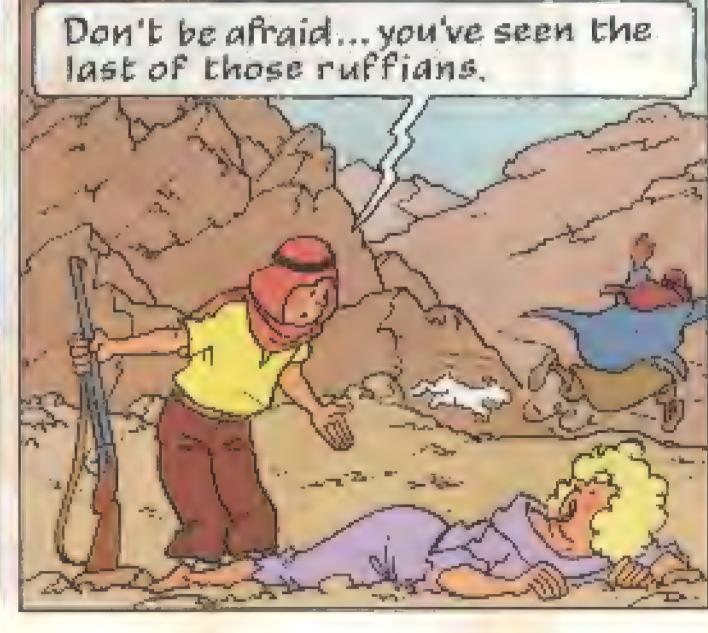




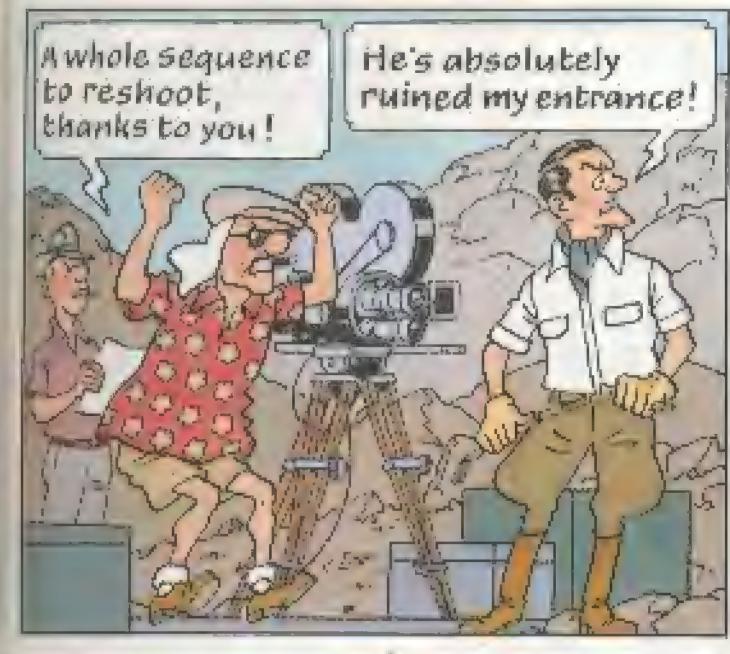




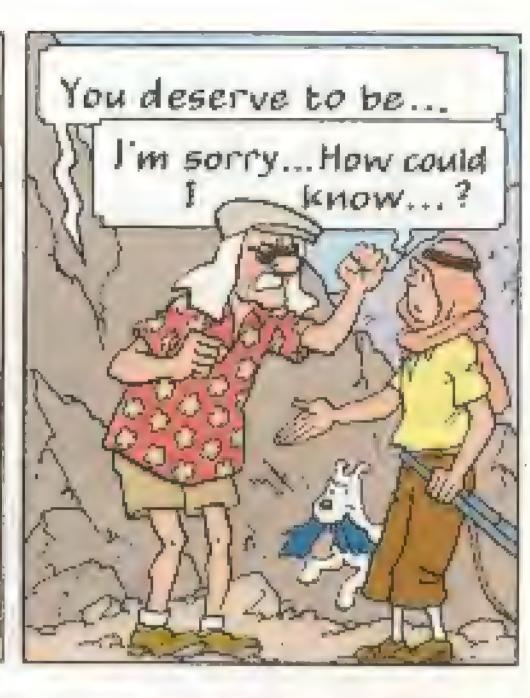


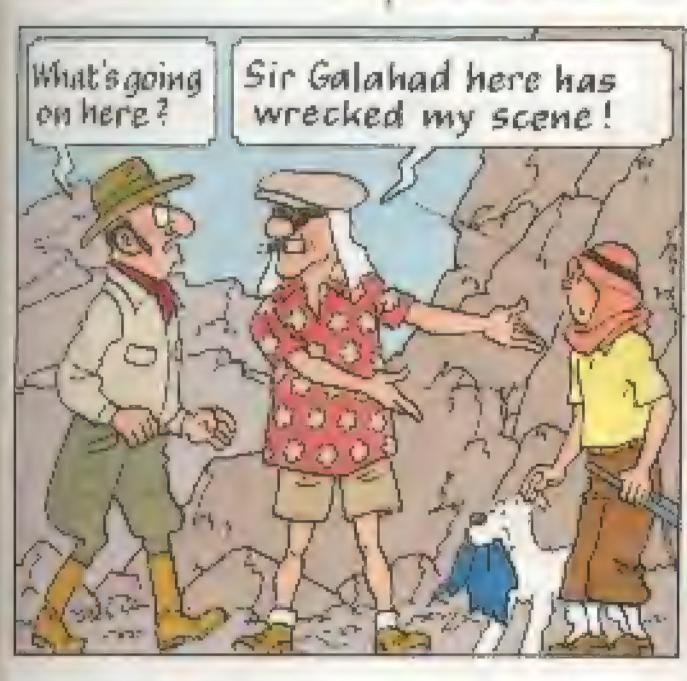


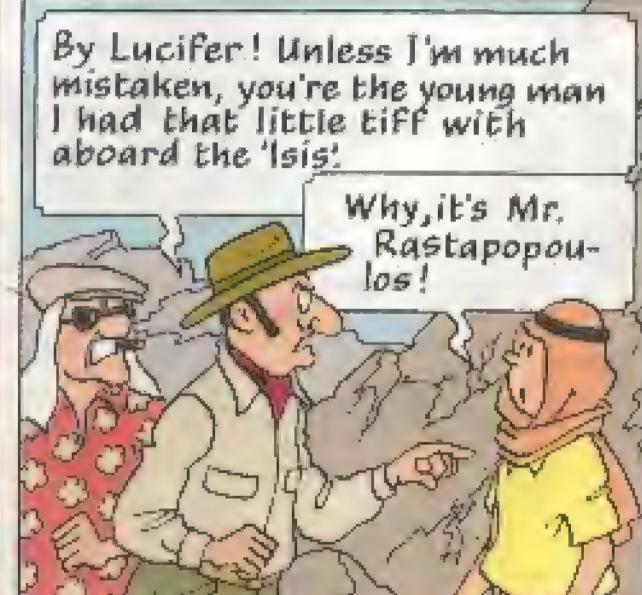


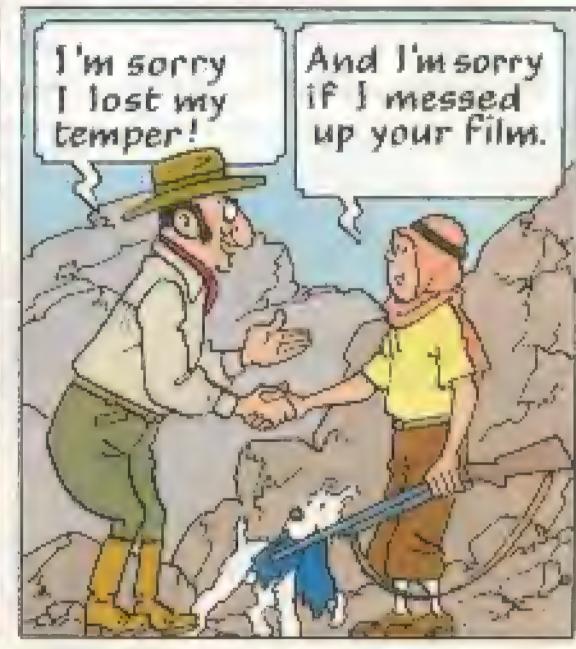


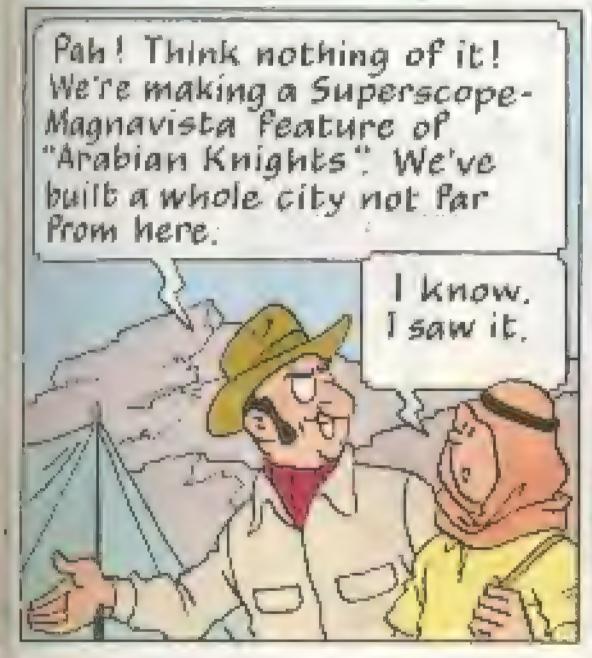




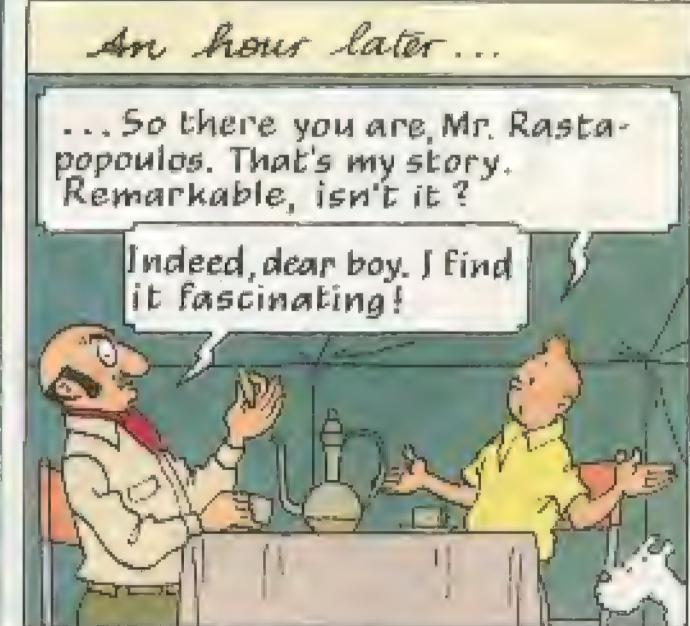




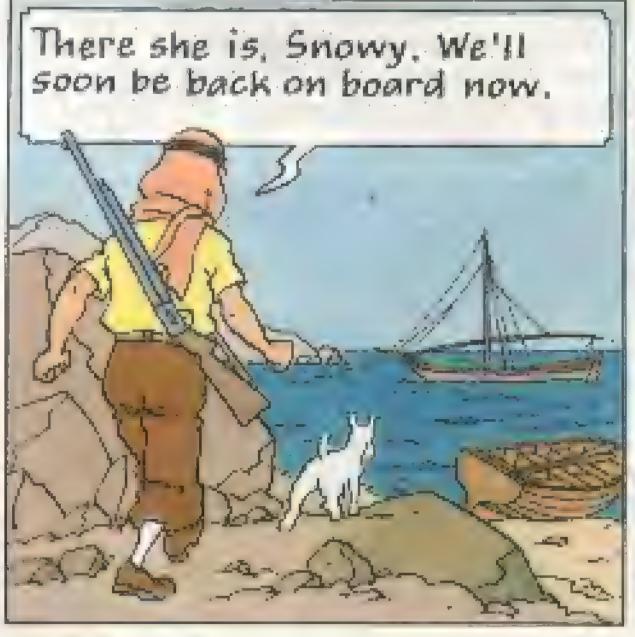


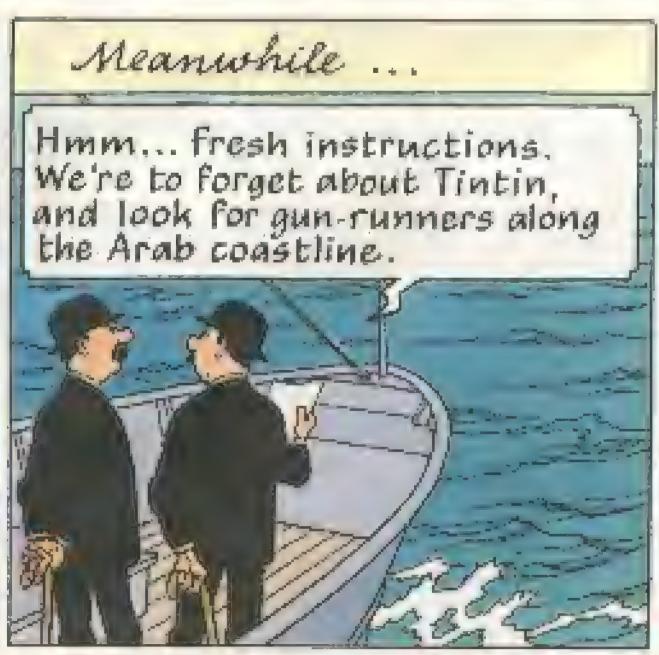


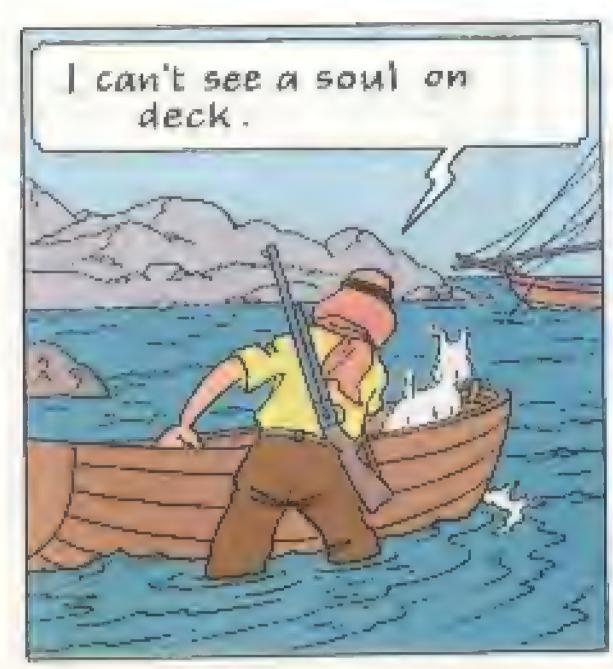


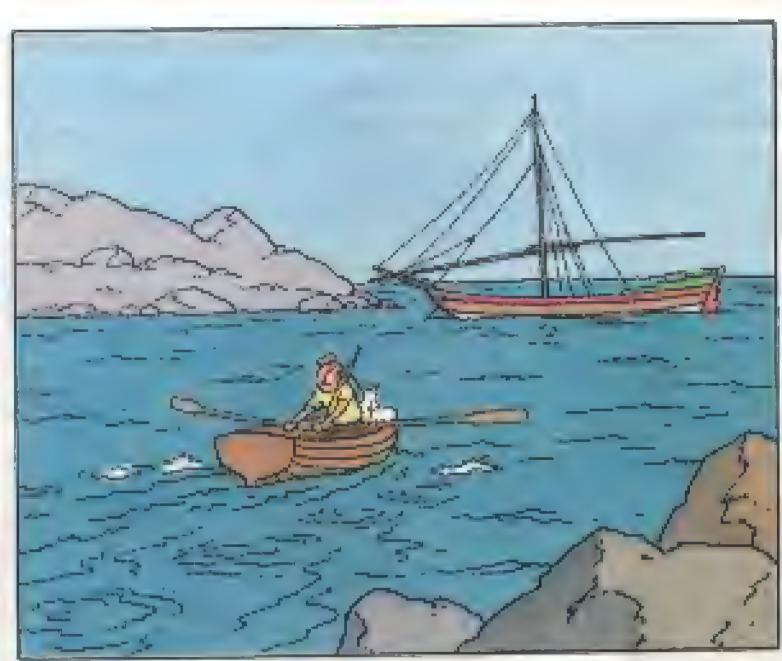


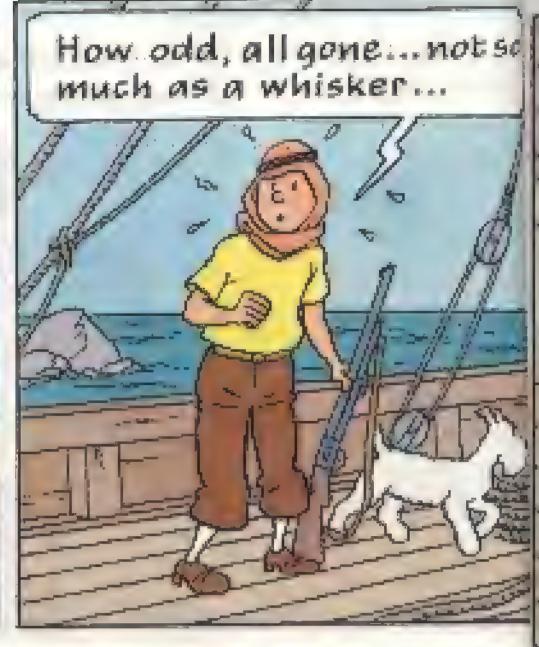








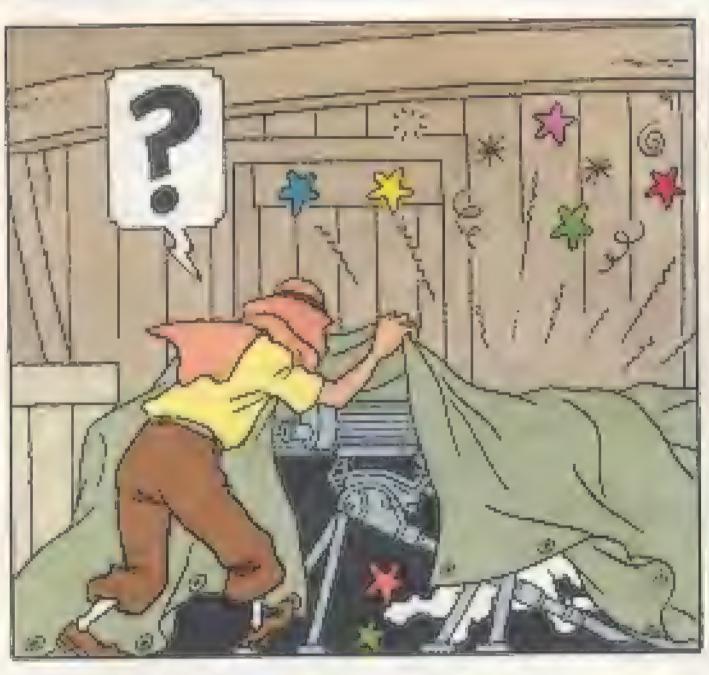


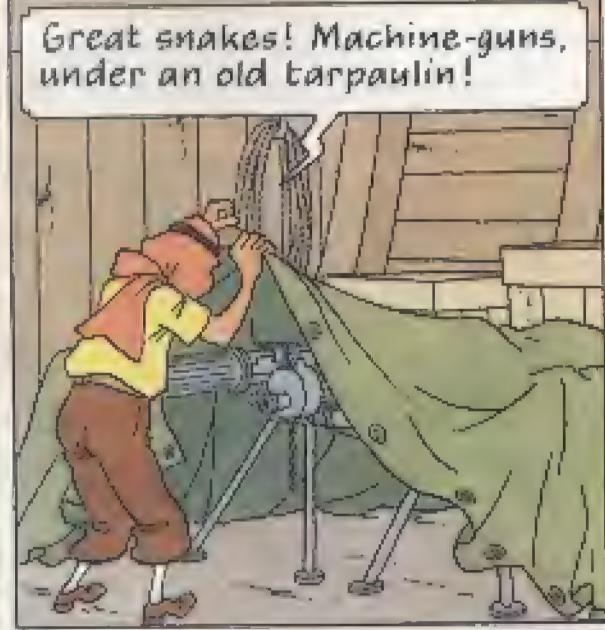


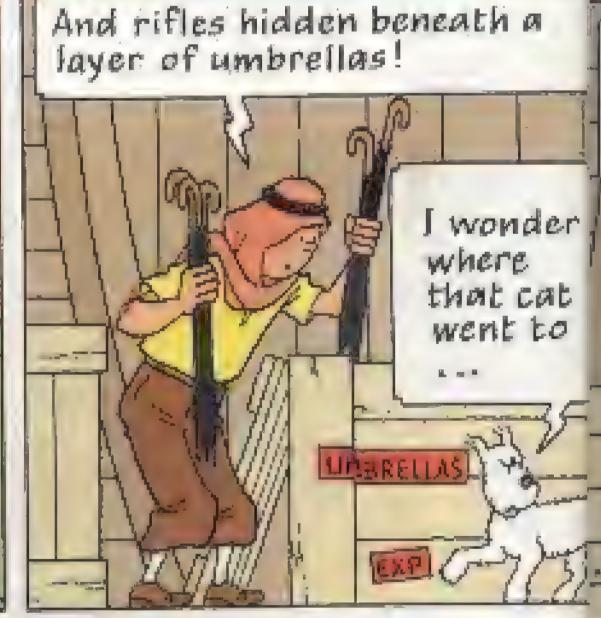


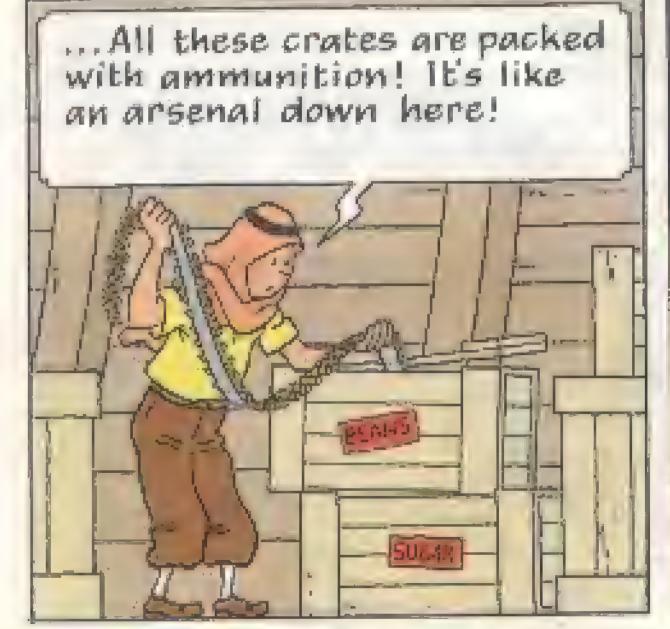


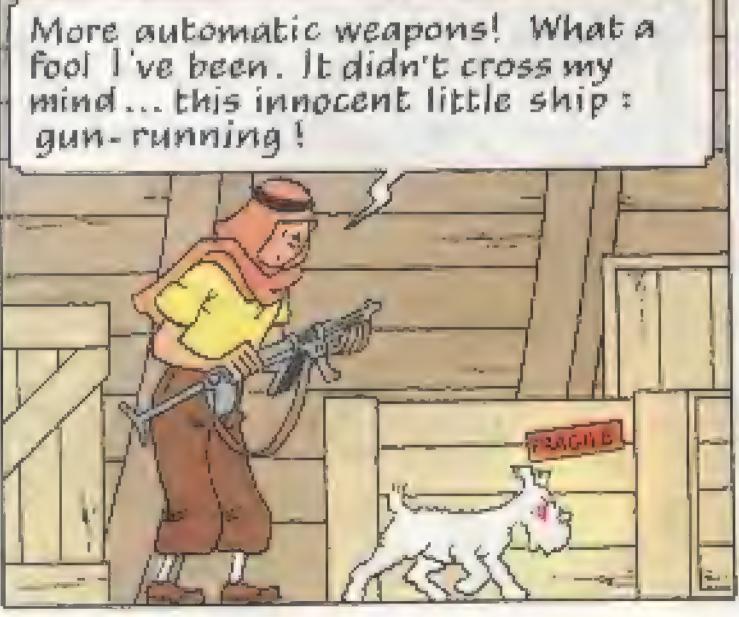


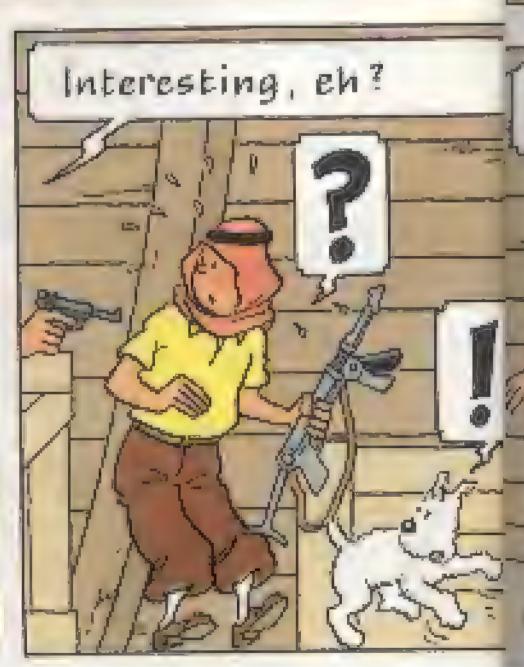




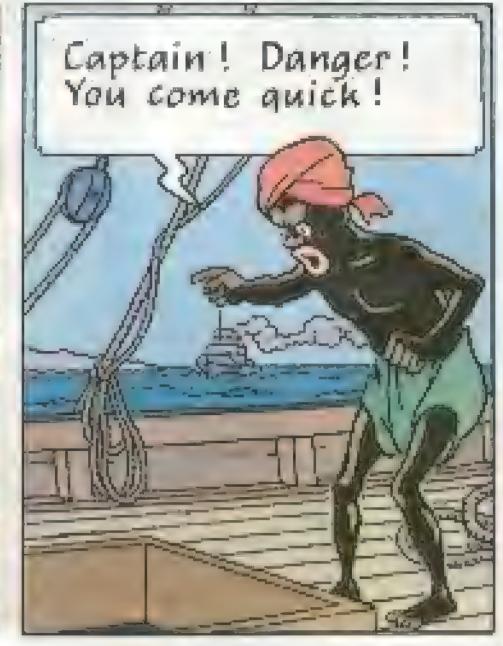


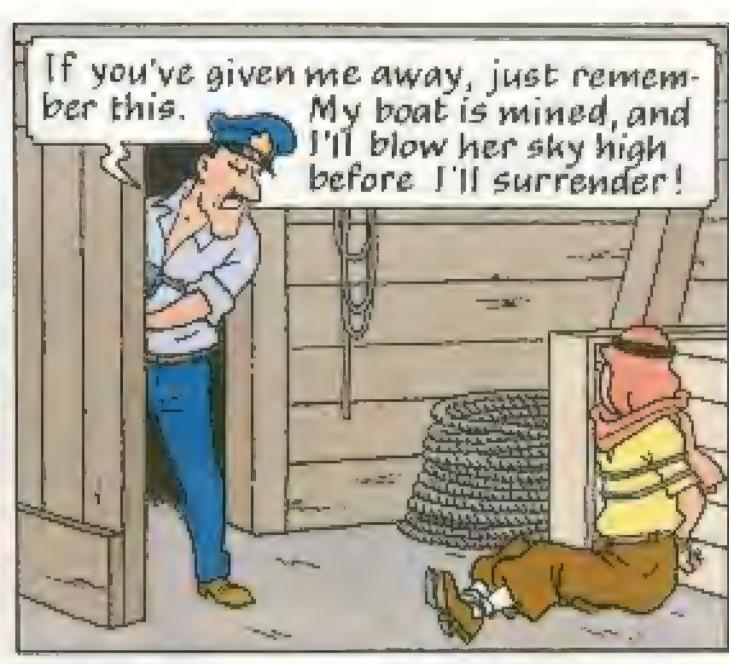








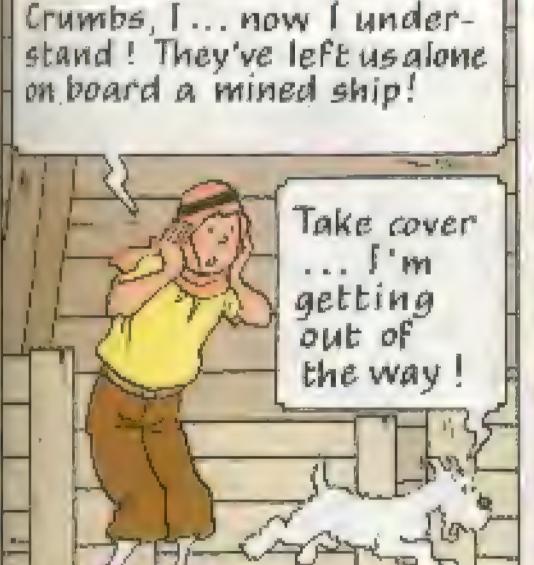


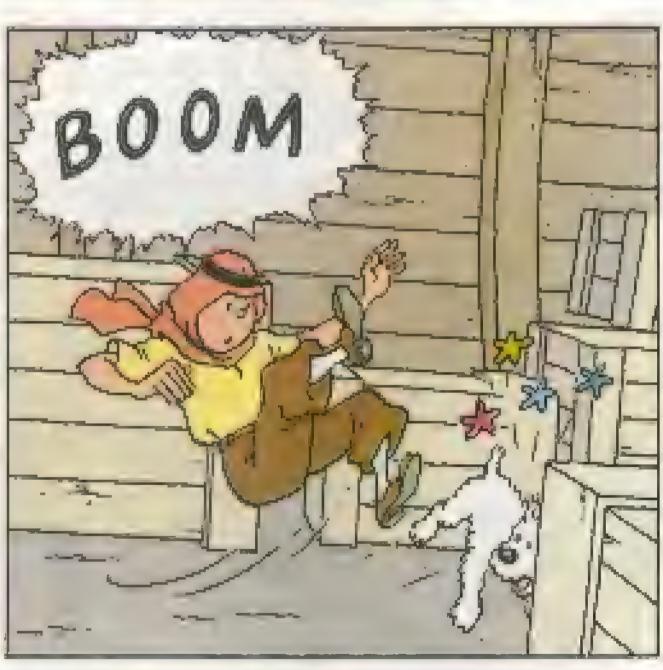






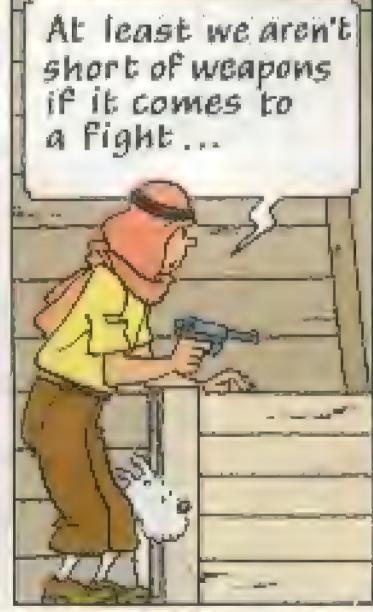




















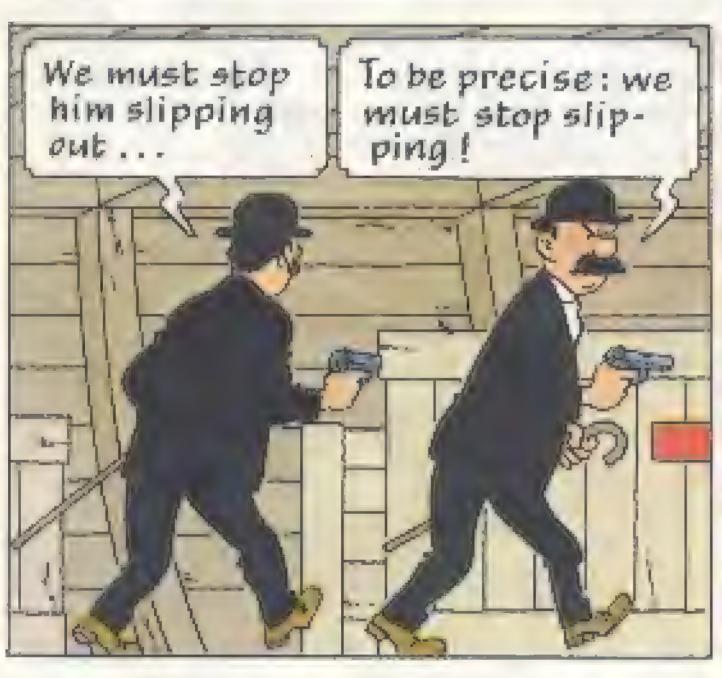




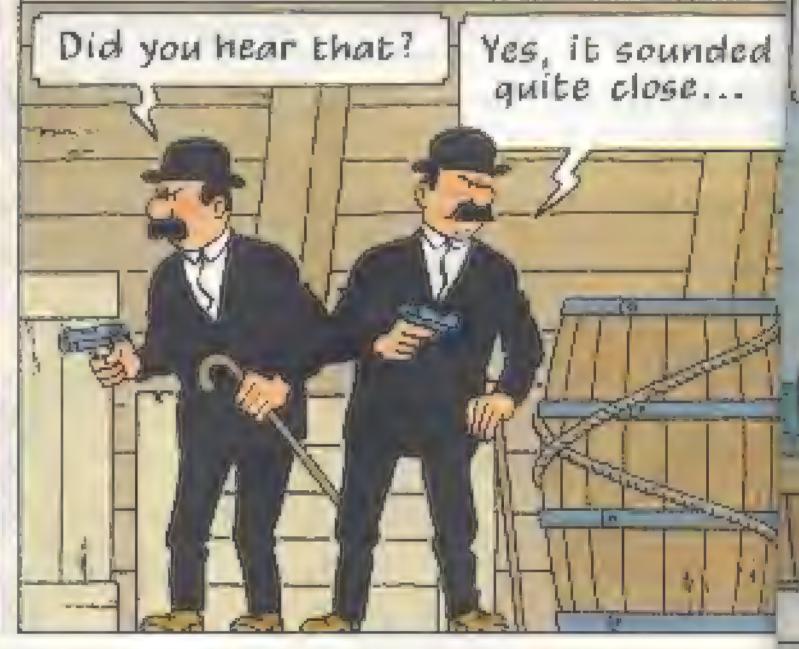














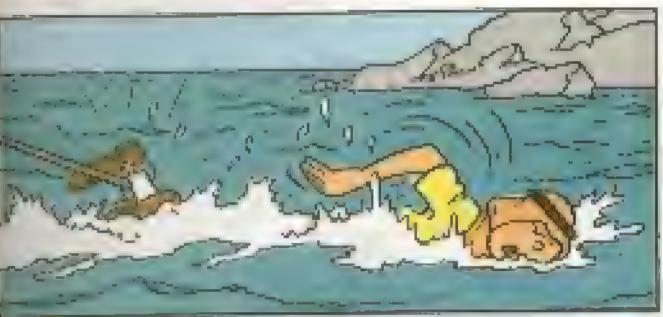


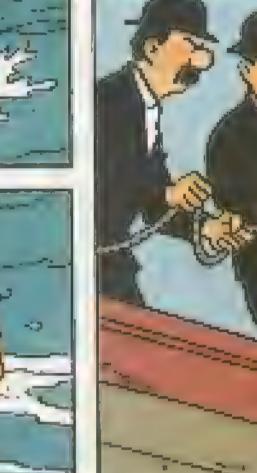








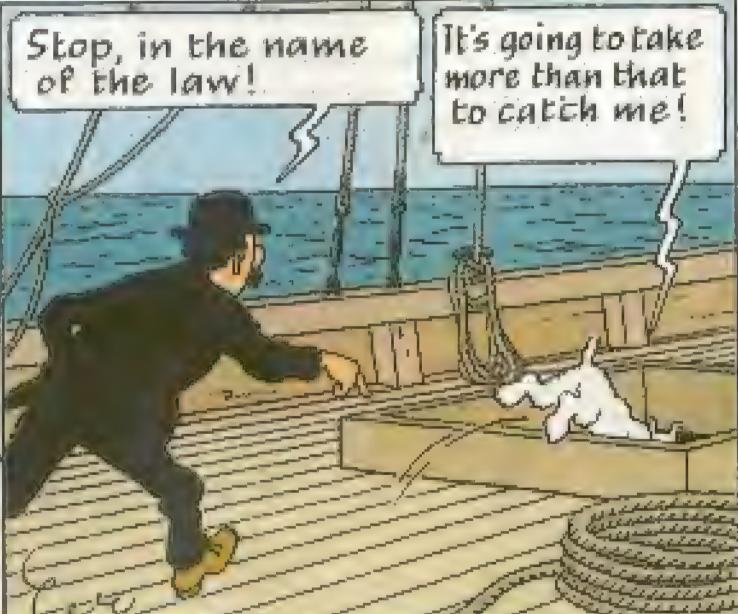


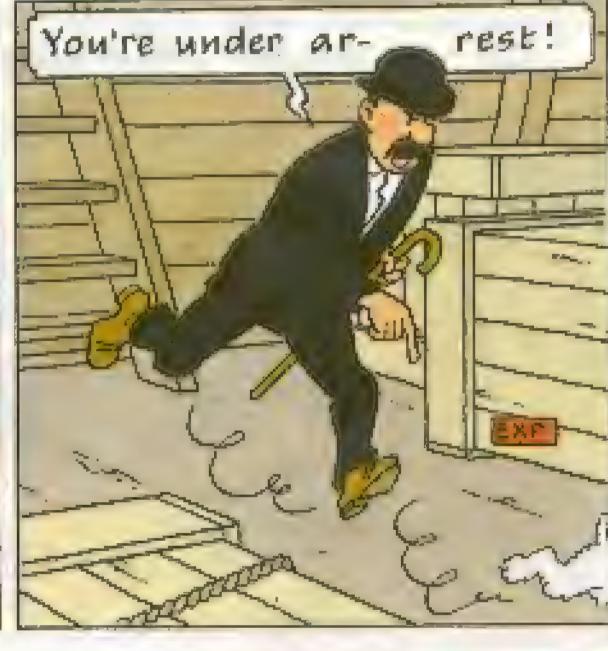


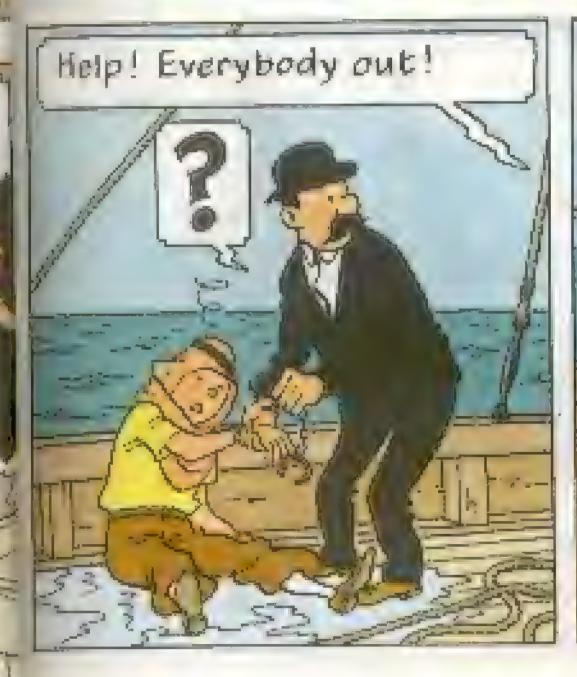


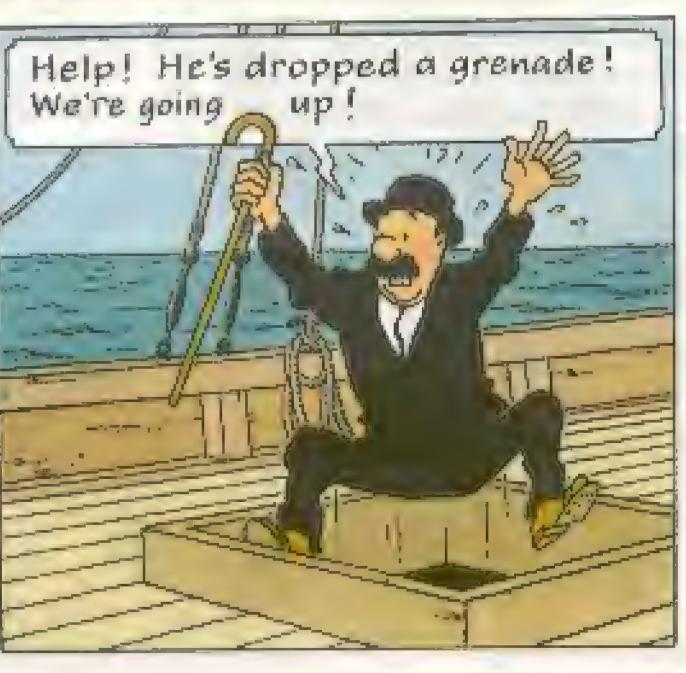


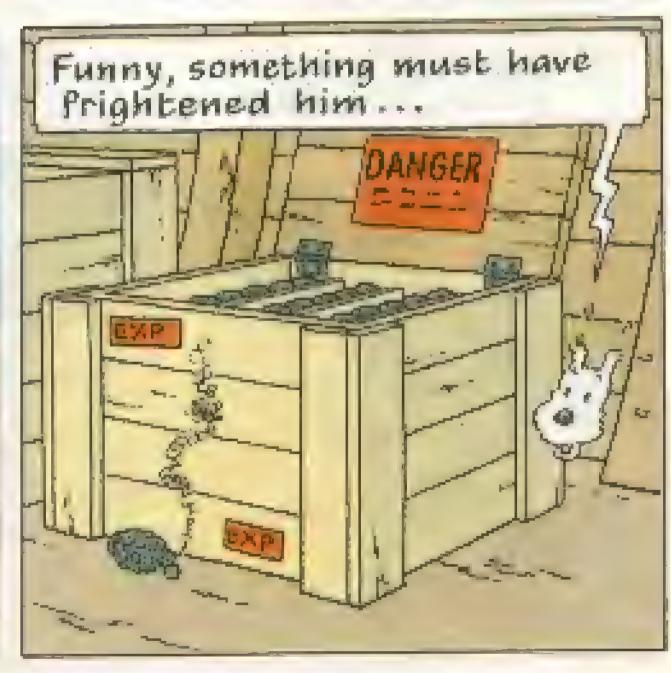


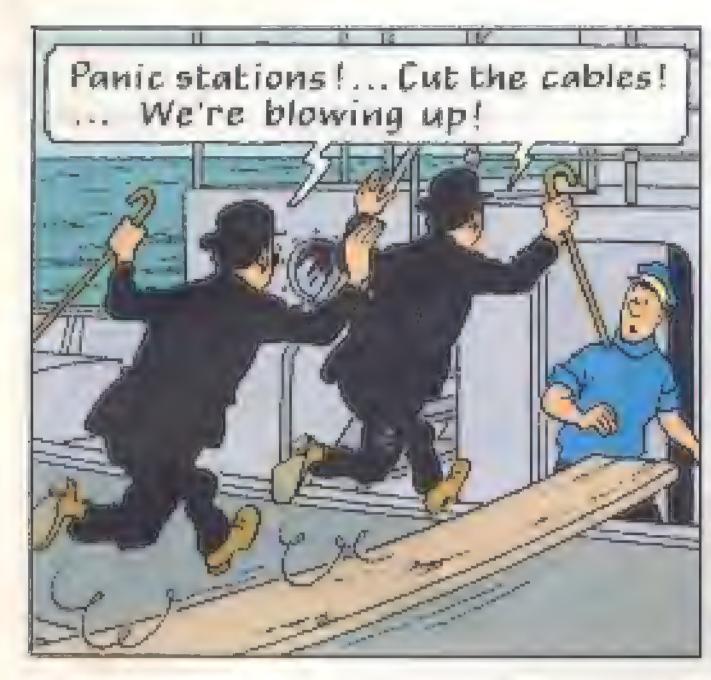




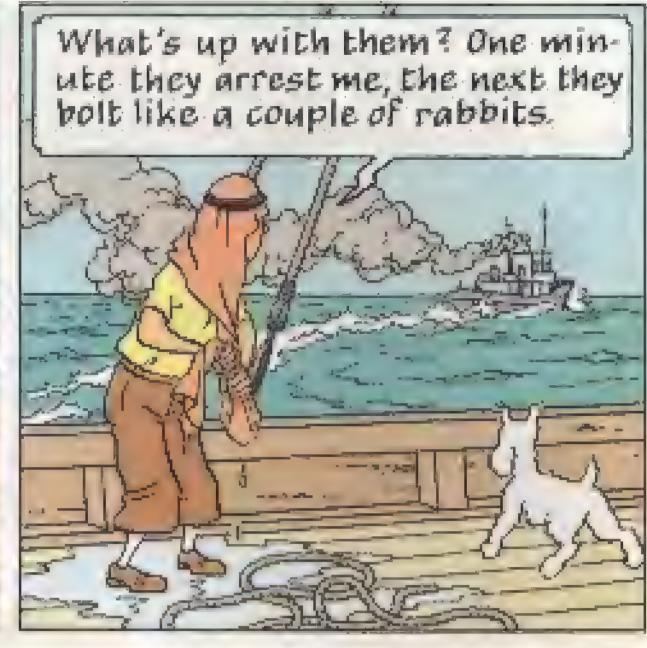


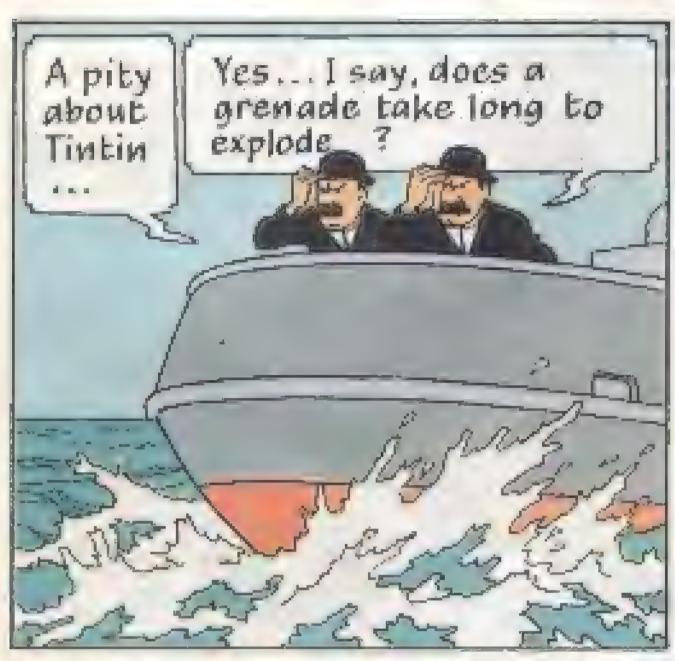






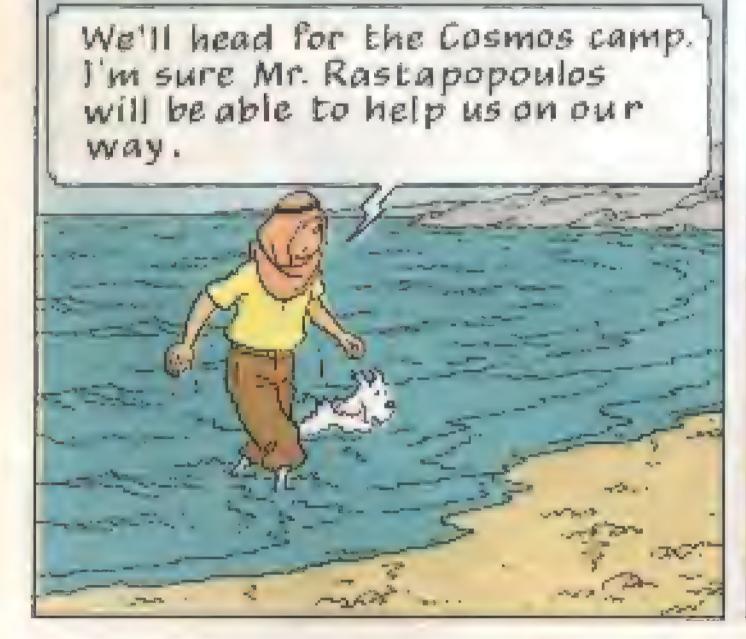




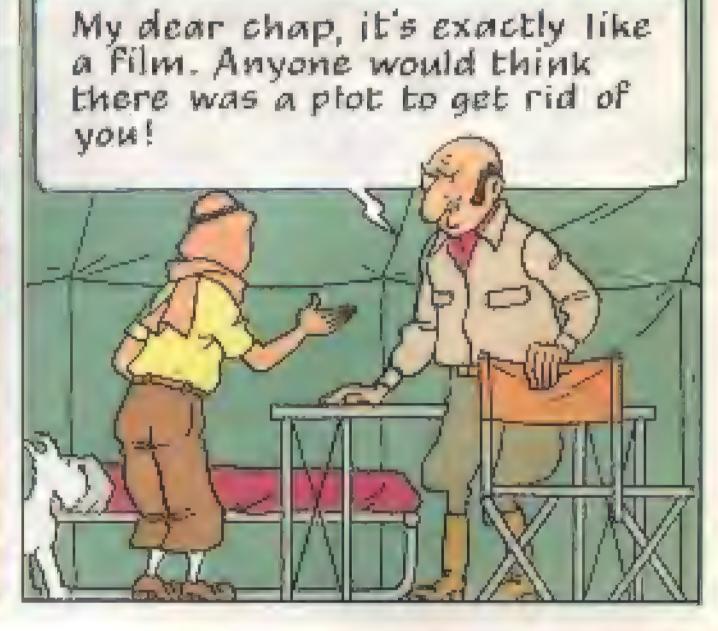




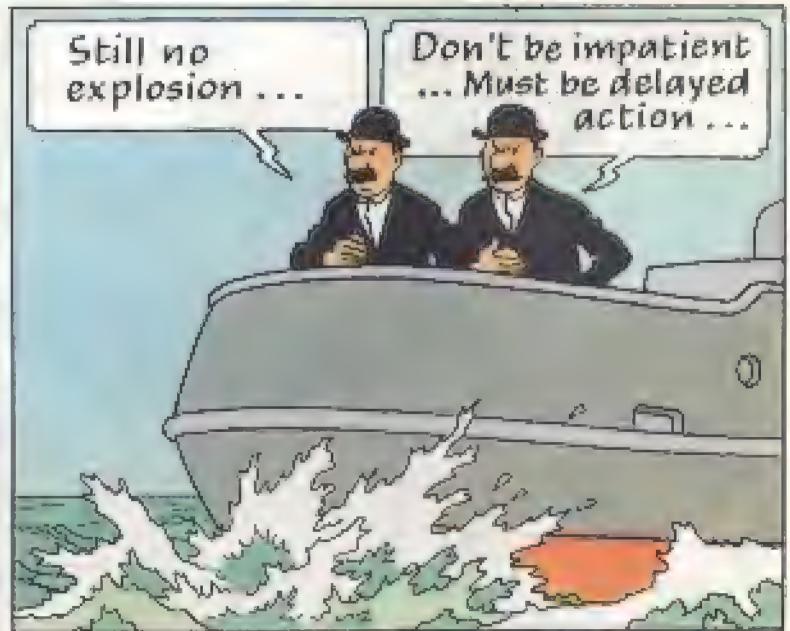


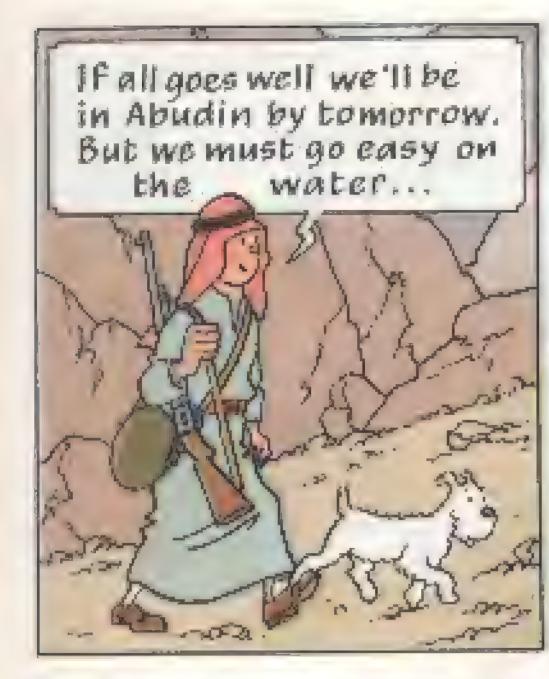


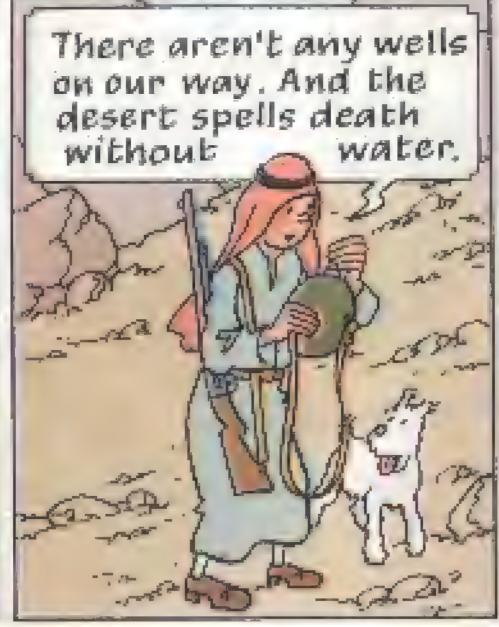








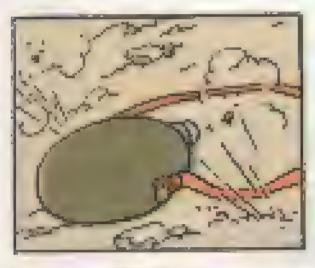




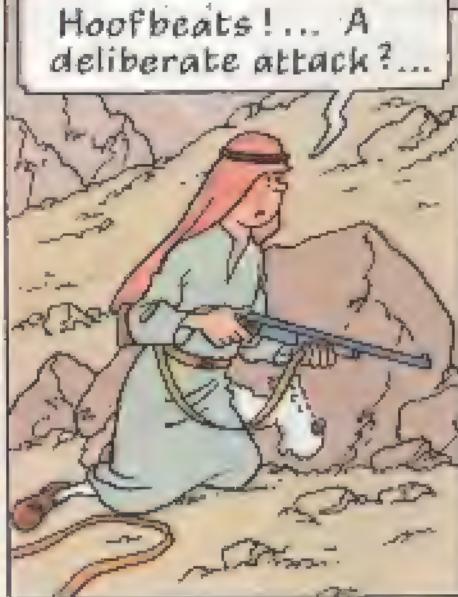


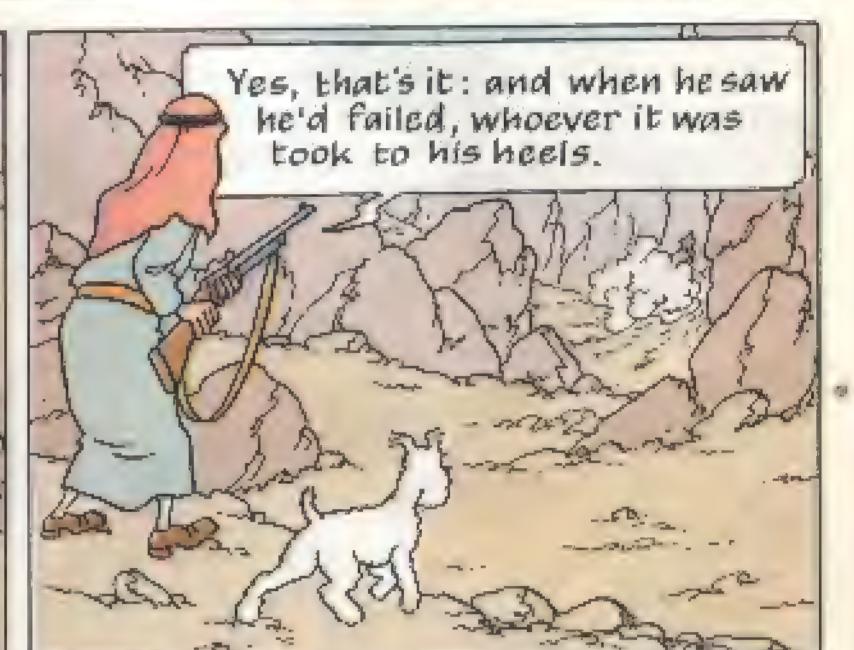






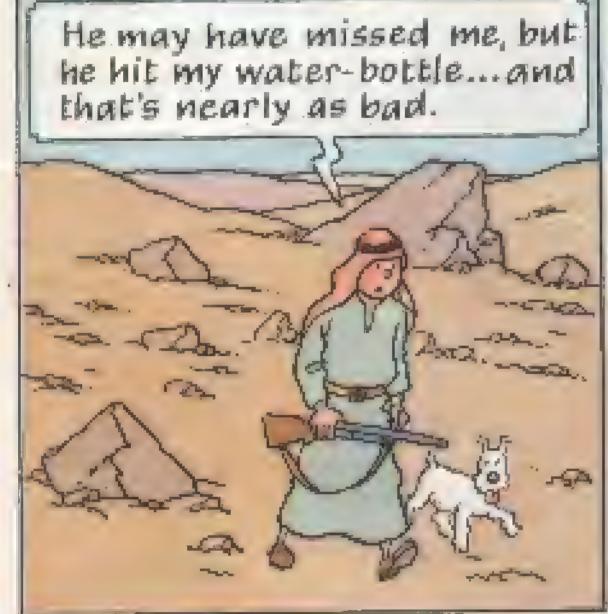






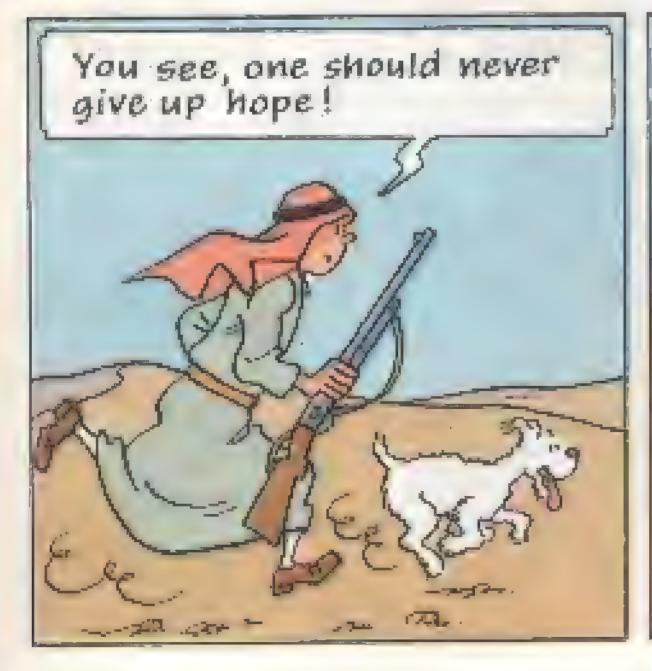










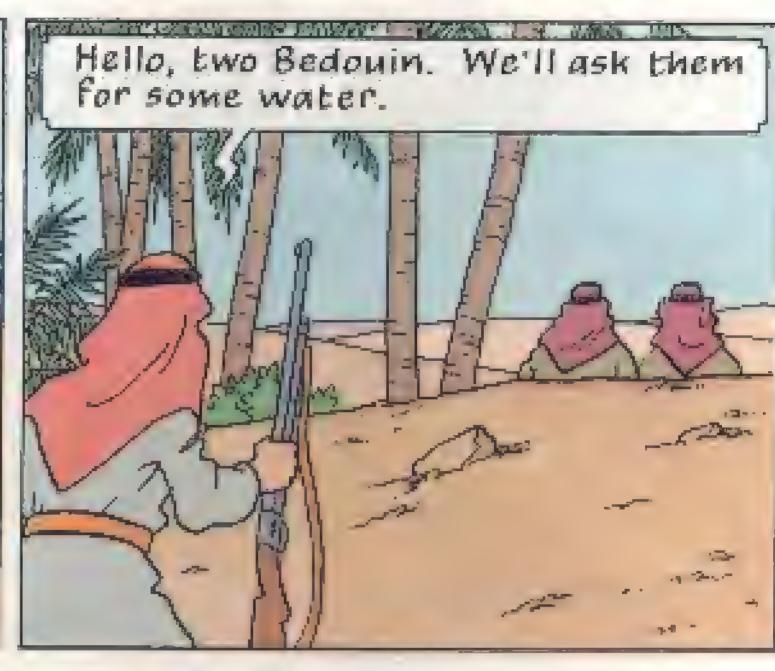




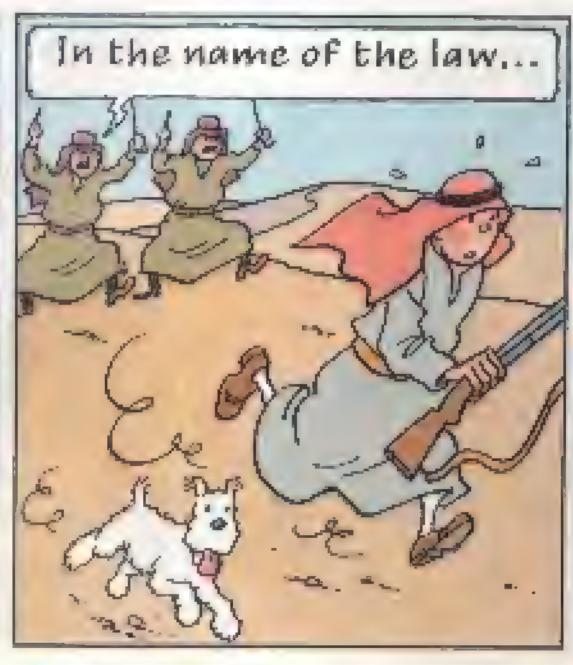


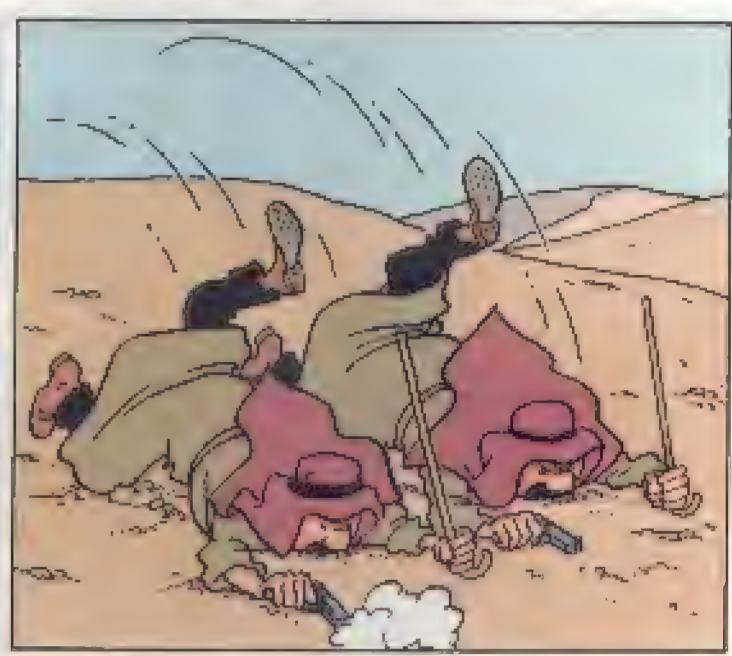






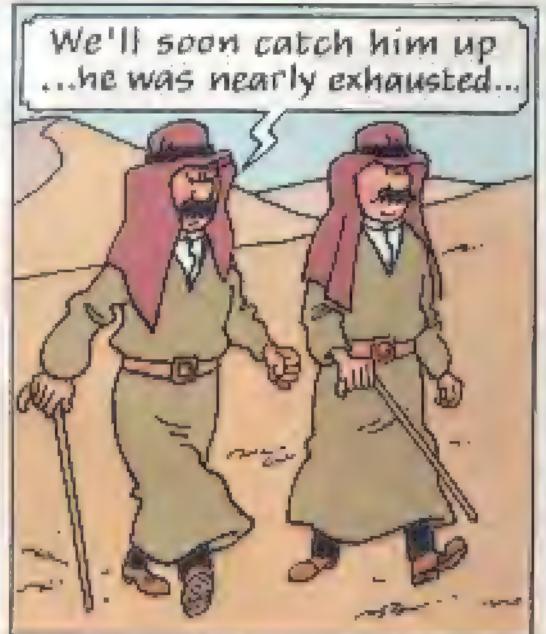




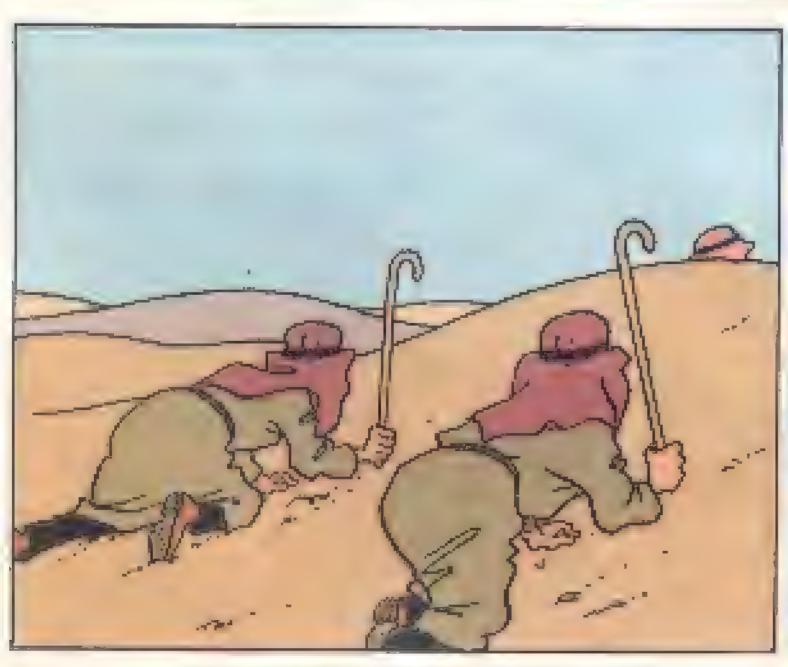


Clever dick! If I hadn't listened to you we wouldn't be
wearing these nightshirts...
and then we wouldn't have
tripped ourselves up!

Smart Aleck! If we
hadn't been disguised as
Arabs he'd never have
thought we were!





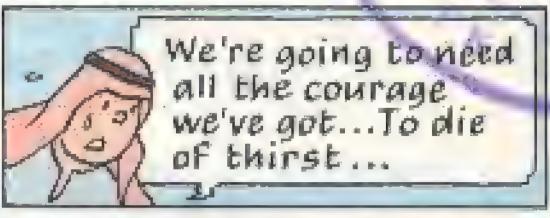




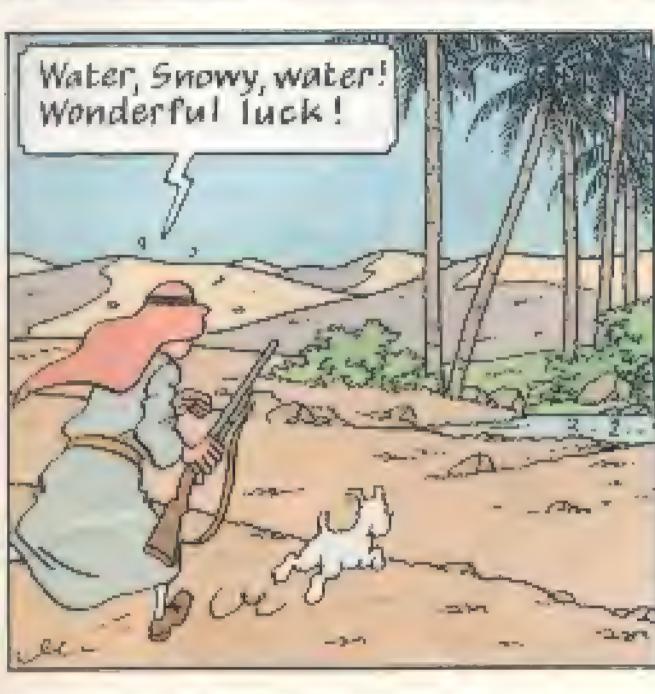


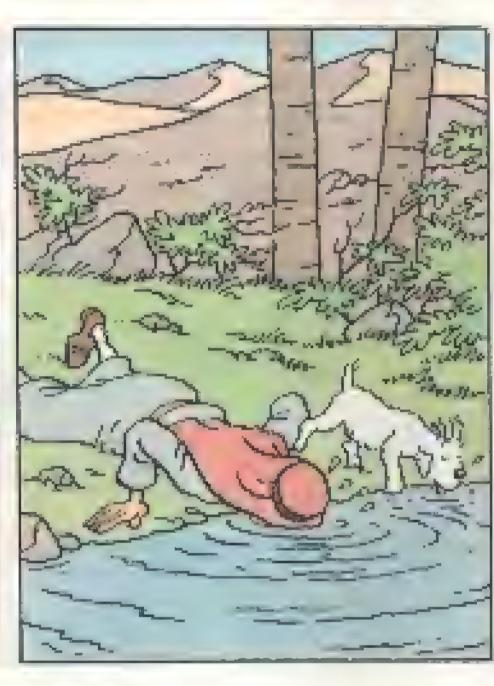


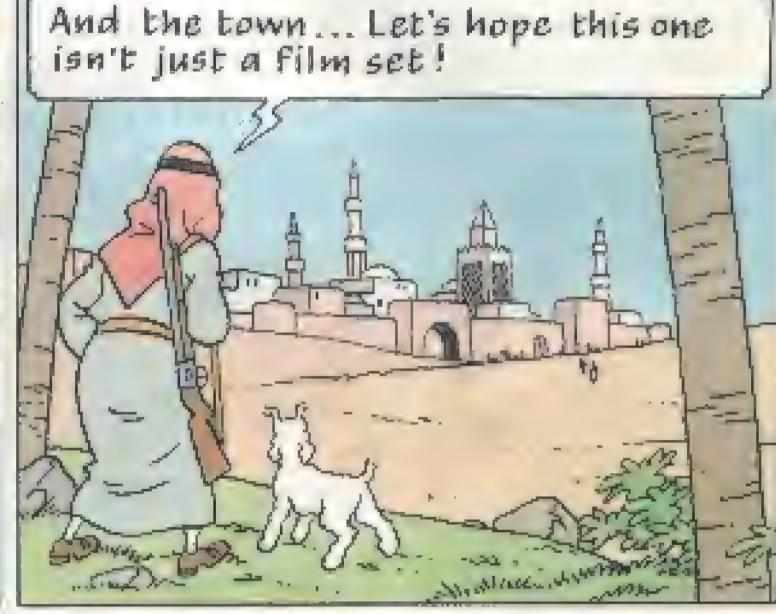


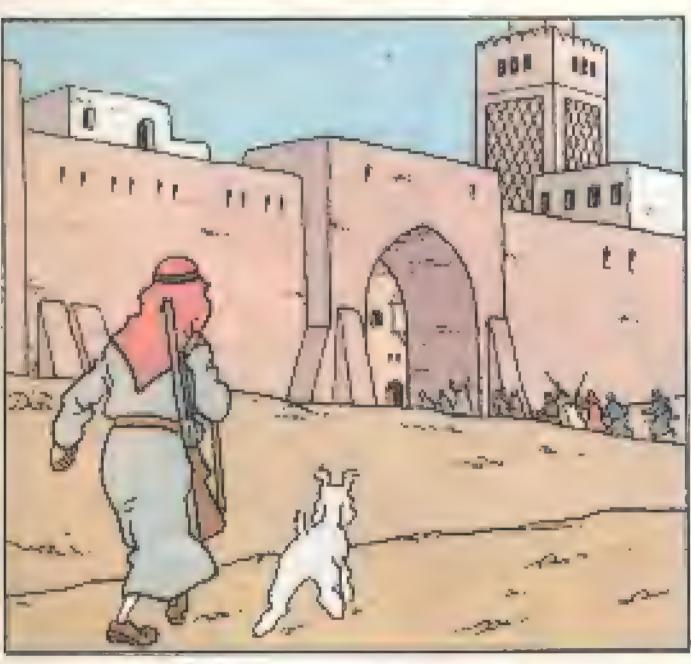






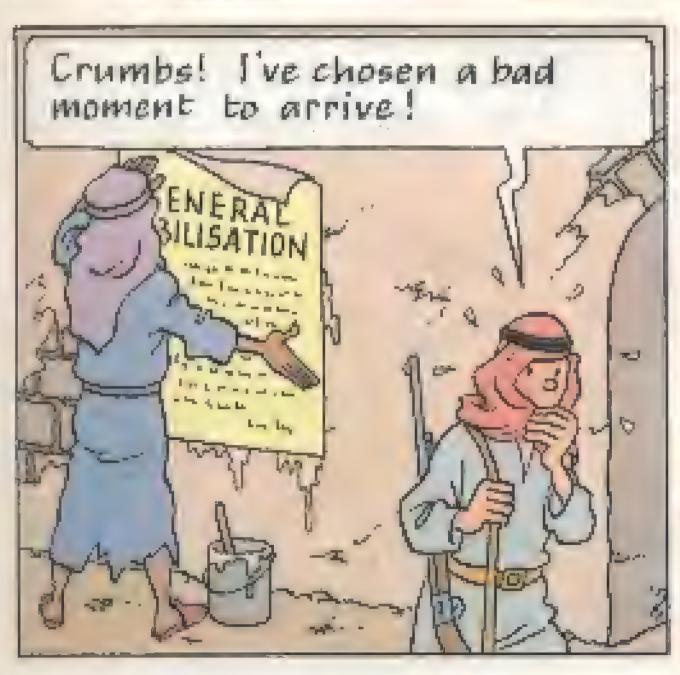








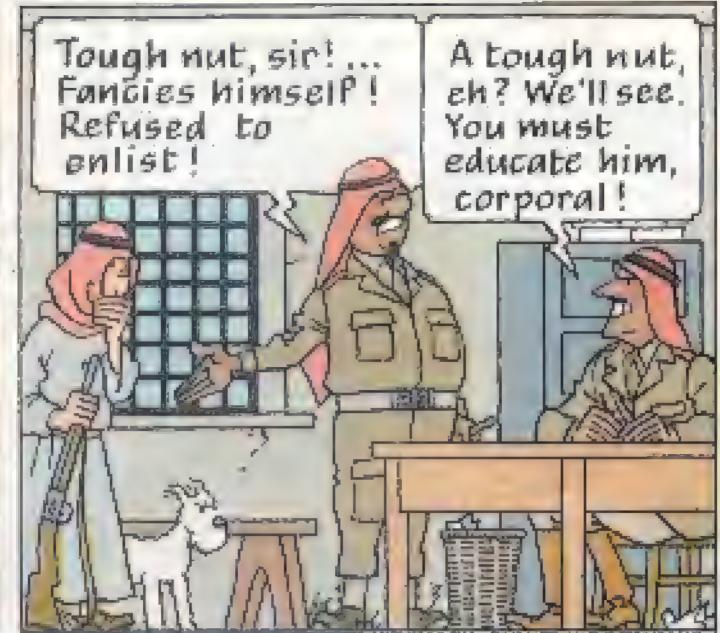








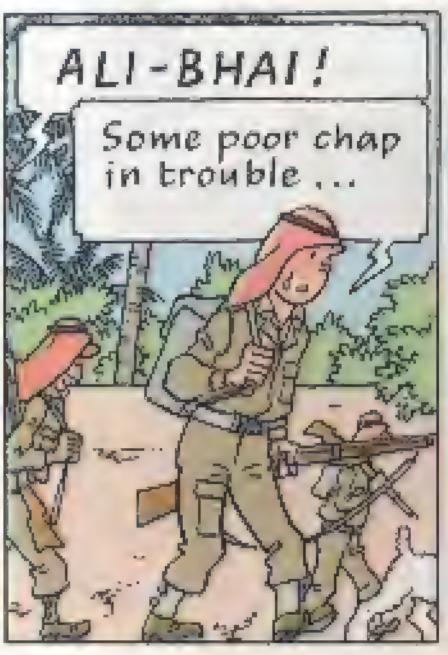


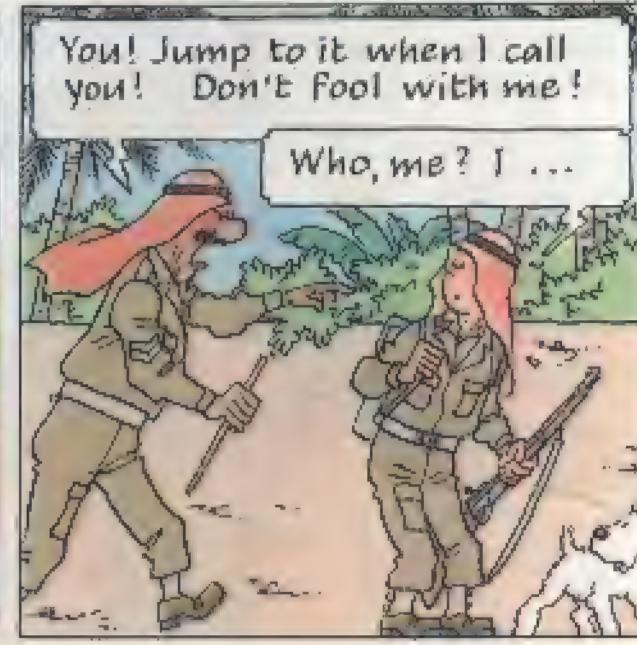


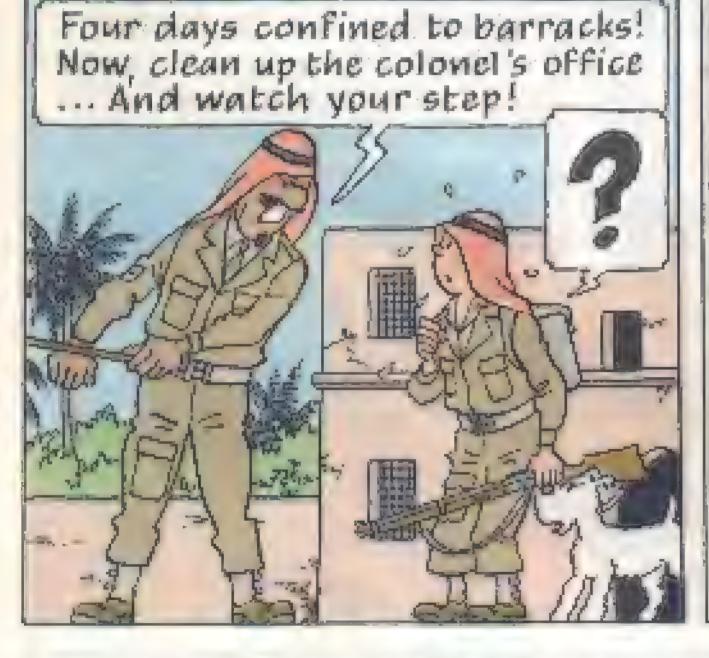








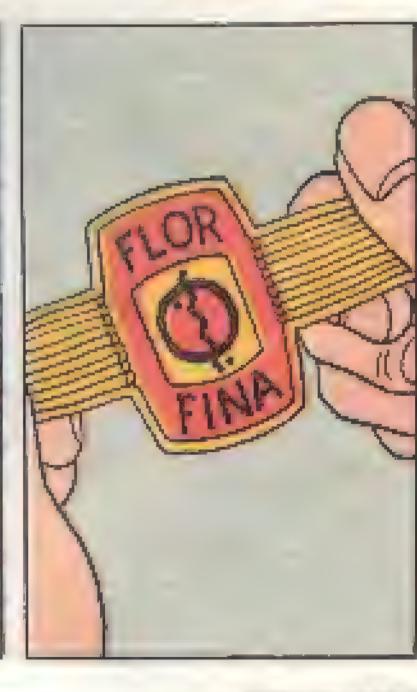






Stupid idiot! How





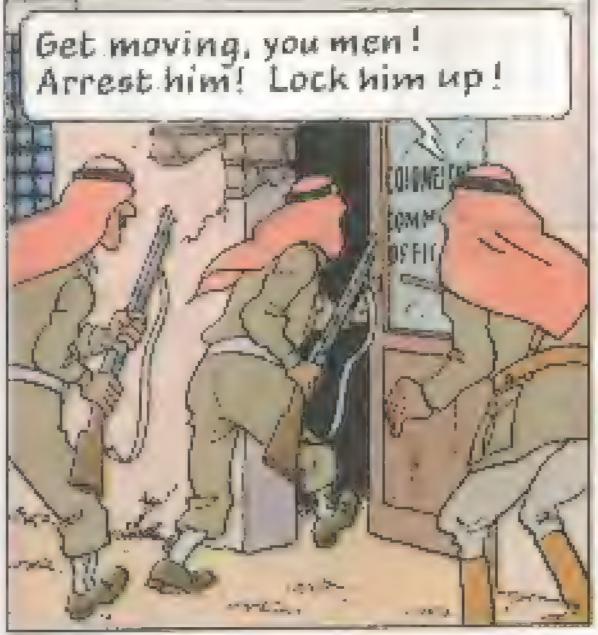


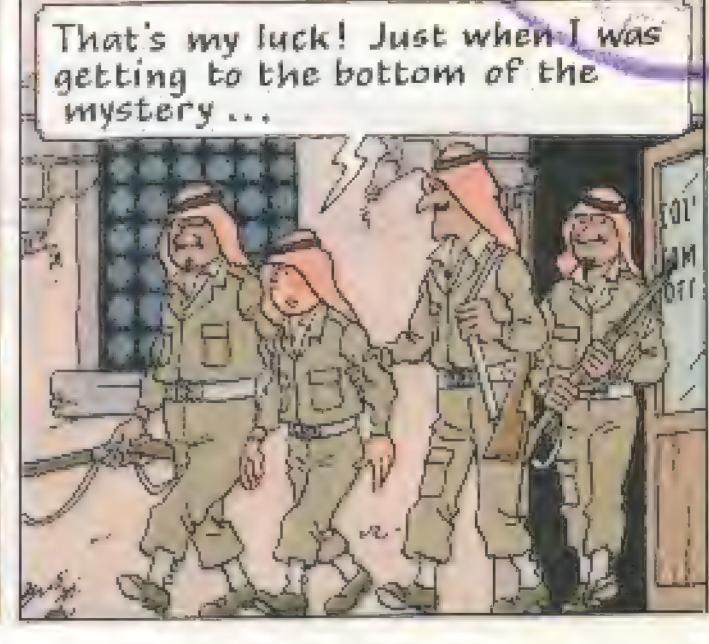




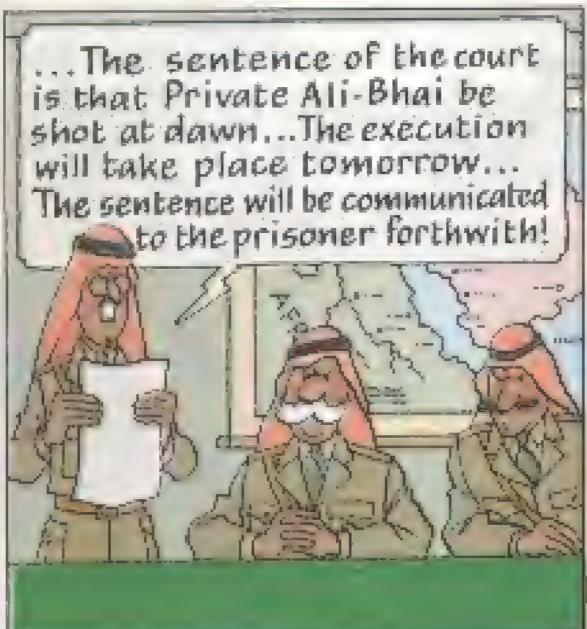






























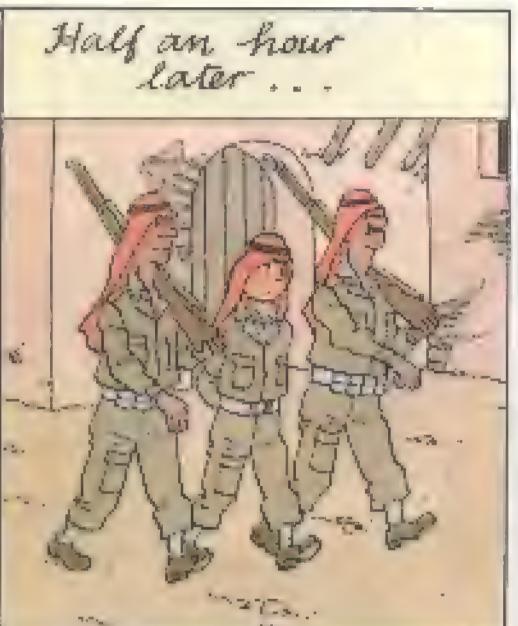




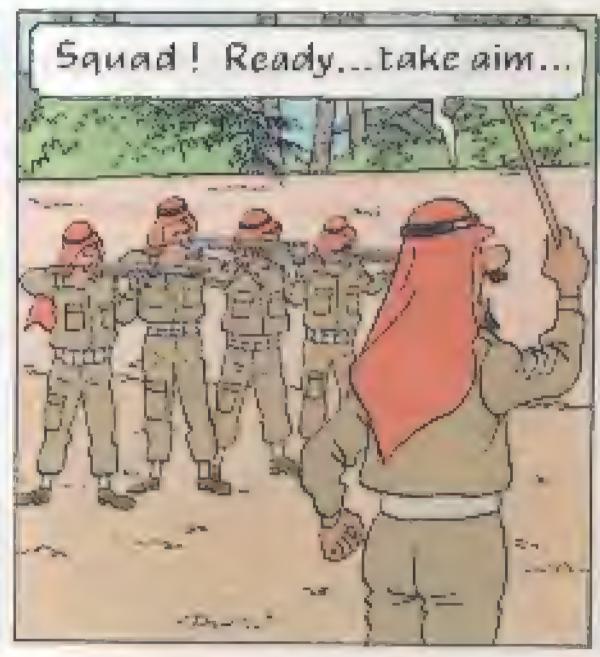






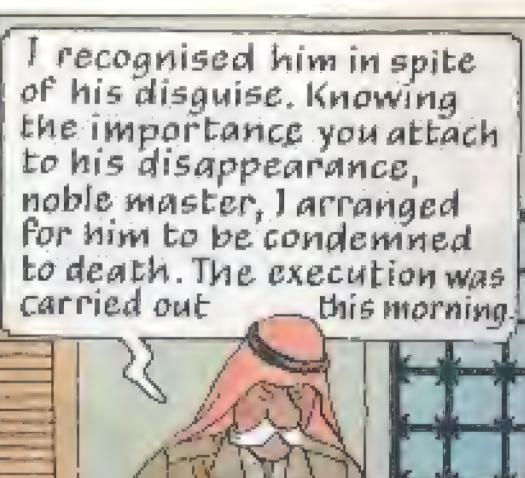


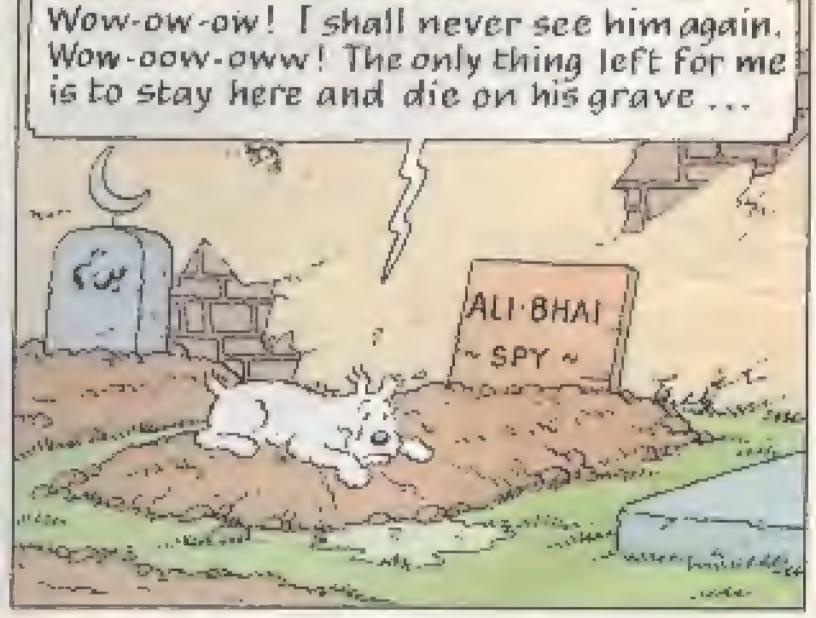


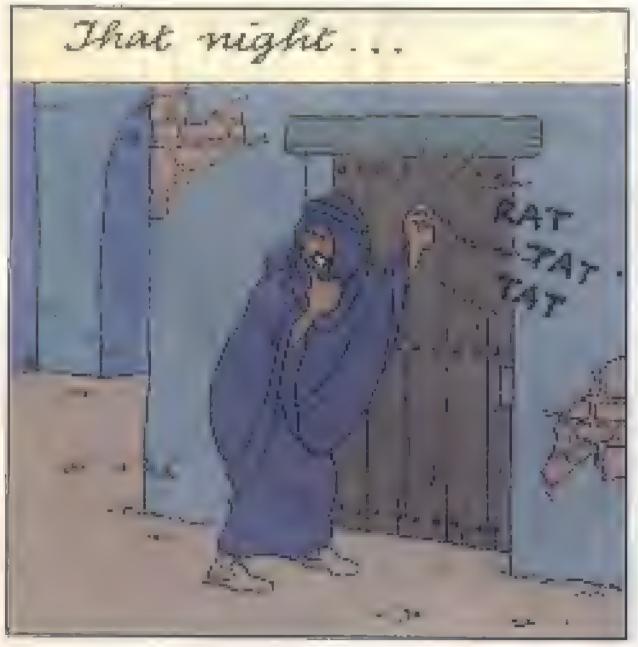






























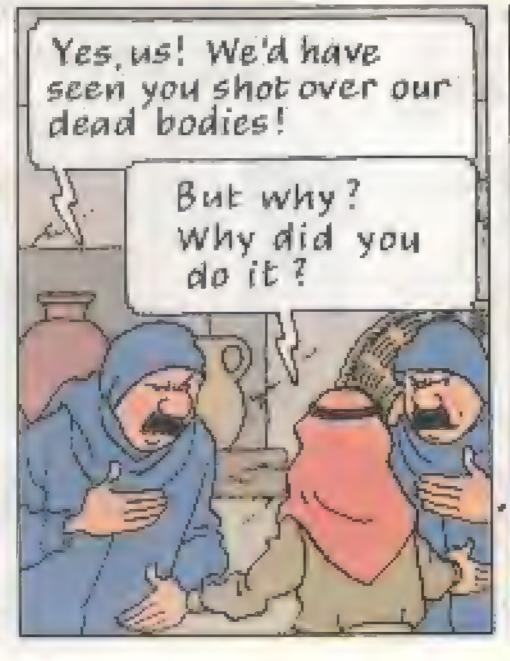




Ladies, I shall never forget what you have done for me. Just before the execution the sergeant told me the rifles would be loaded with blanks. I collapsed when they fired, and pretended to be dead. I did everything he told me, and that saved my life... But who are you?... And why did you rescue me ...?







Simple! We were ordered to arrest Tintin, drug-smug-gler and gun-runner, and an order is an order. That's why!



















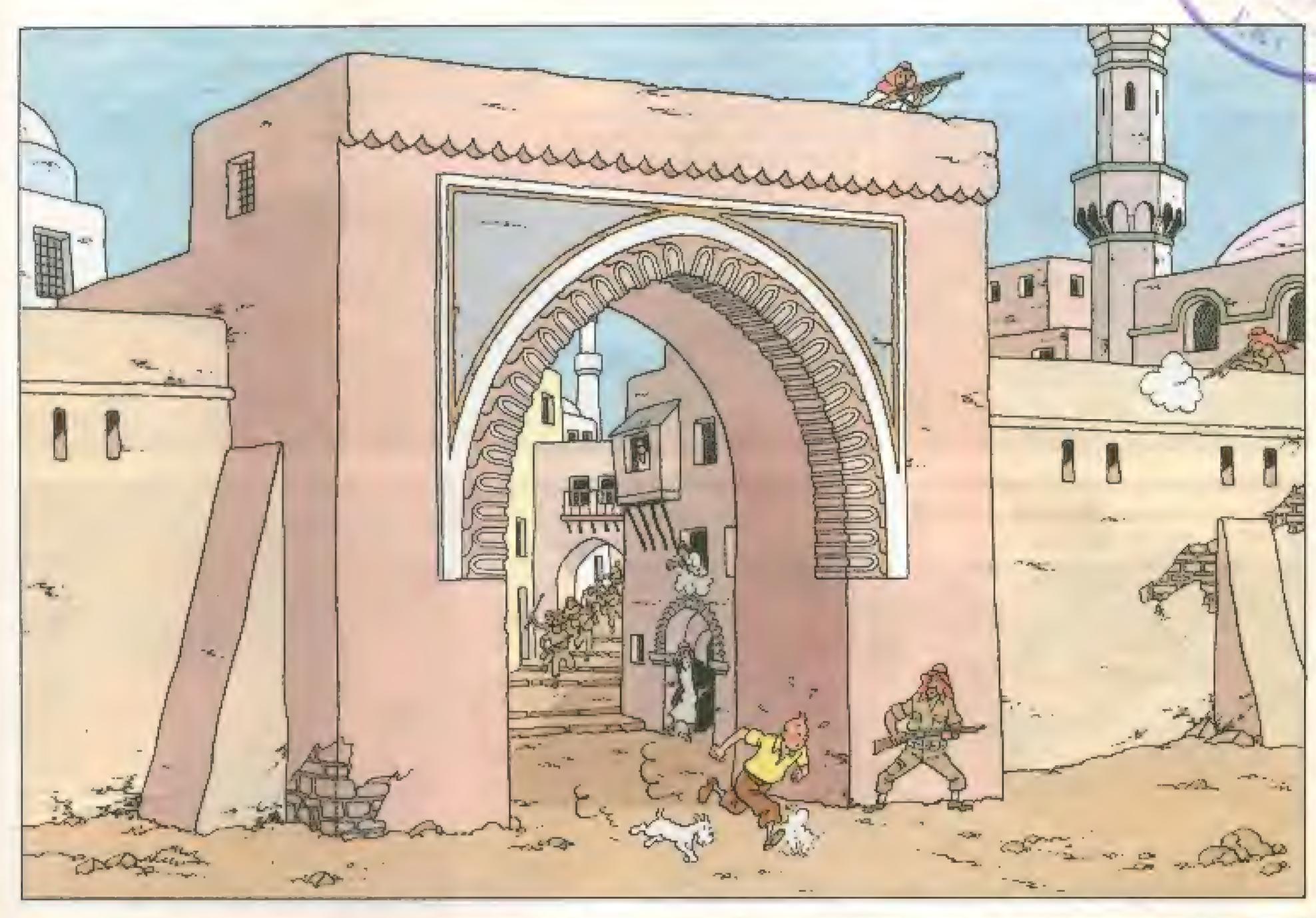






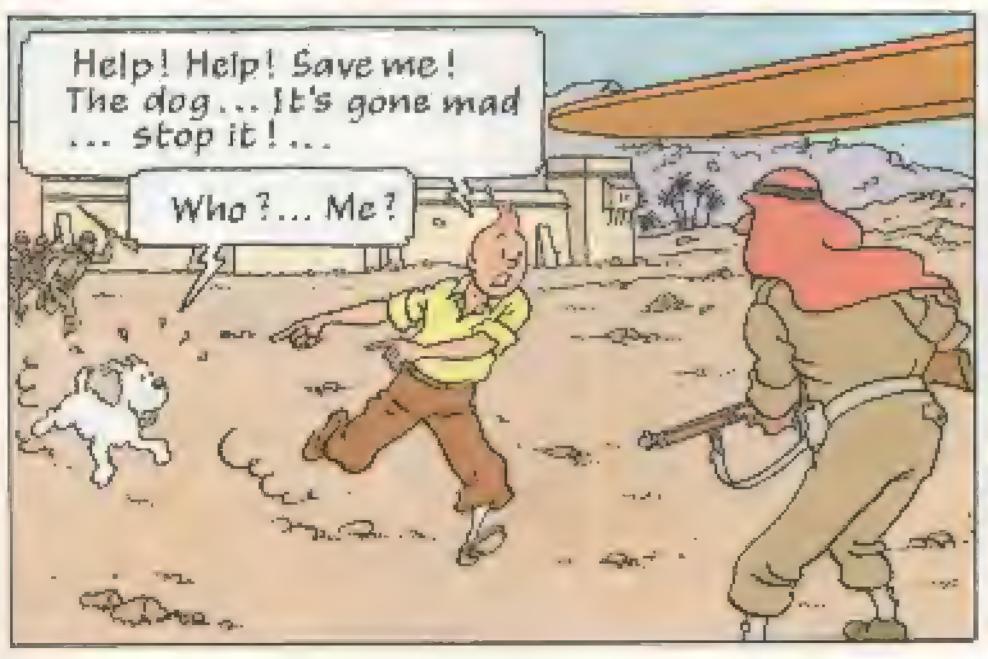


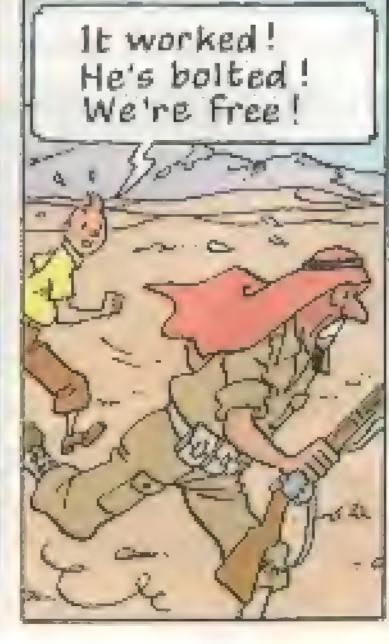






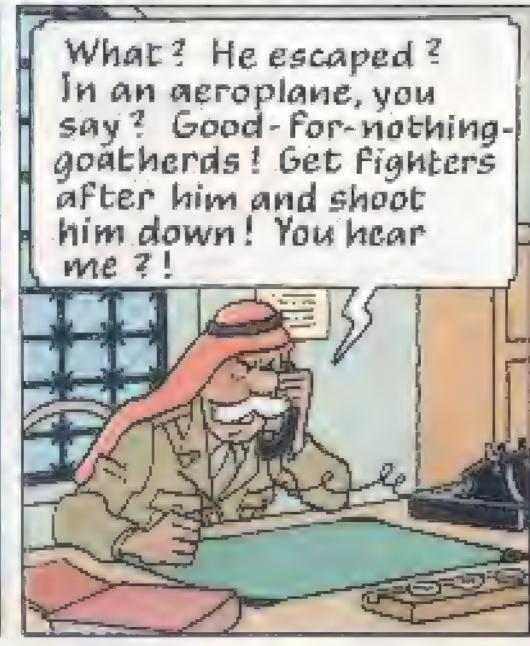


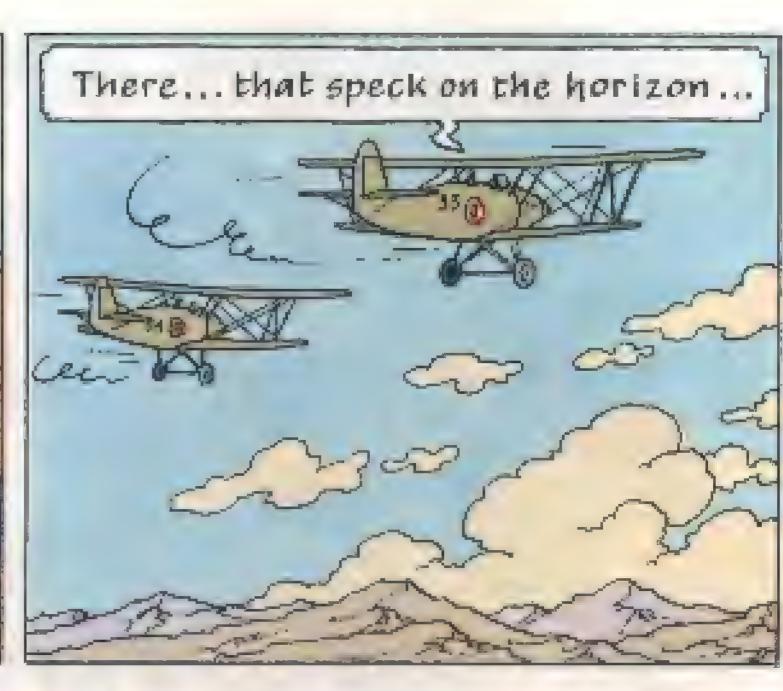






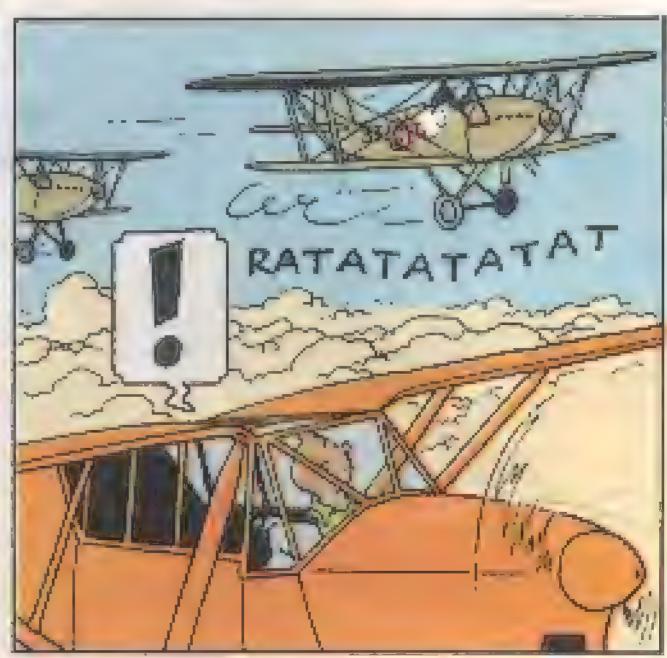


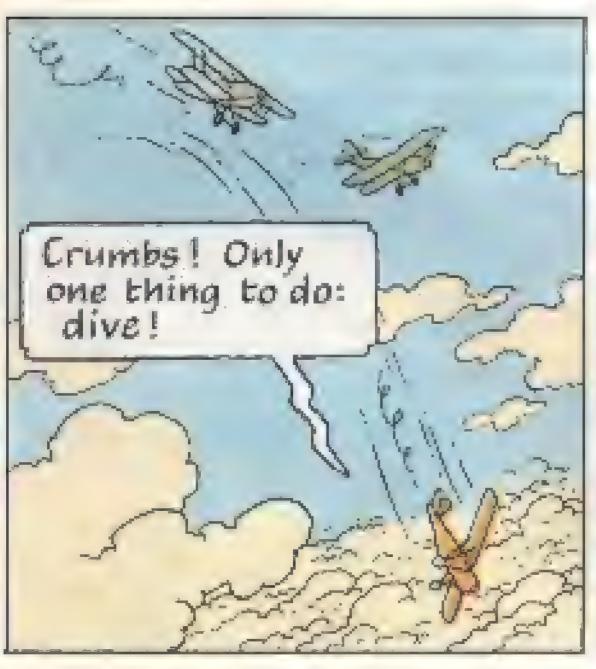






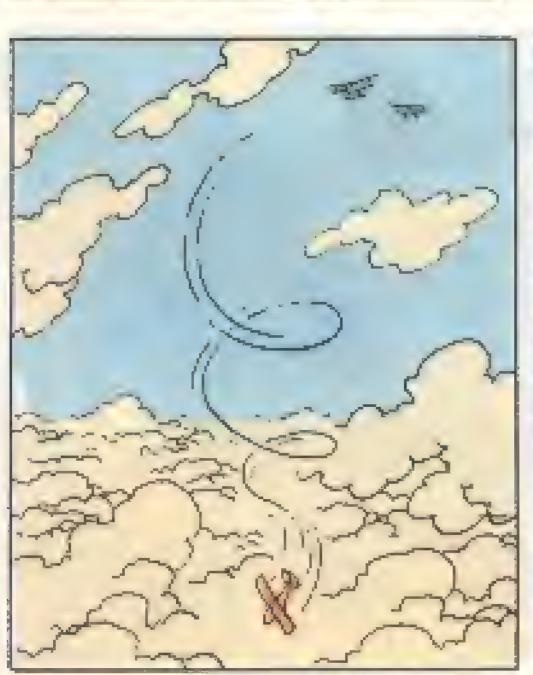




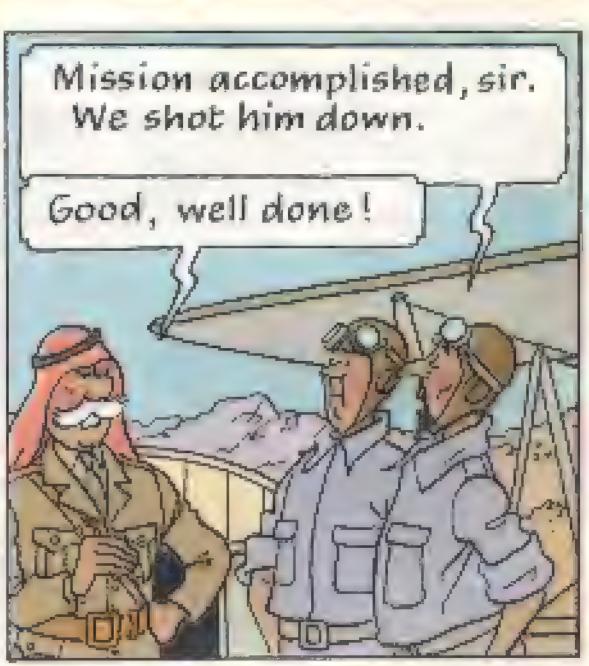


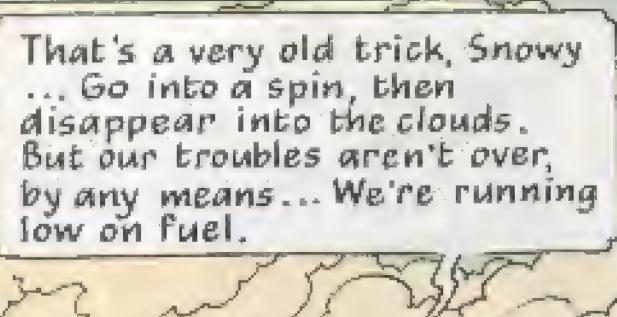


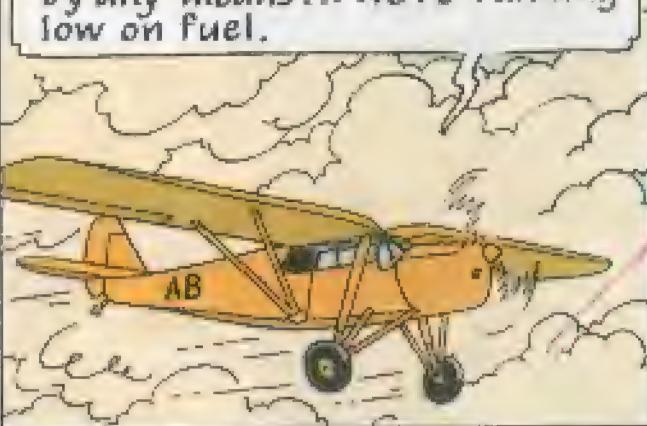


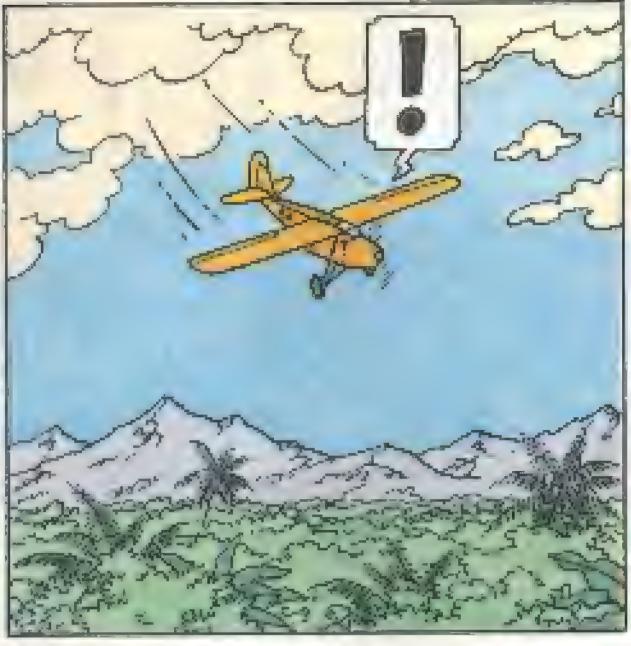














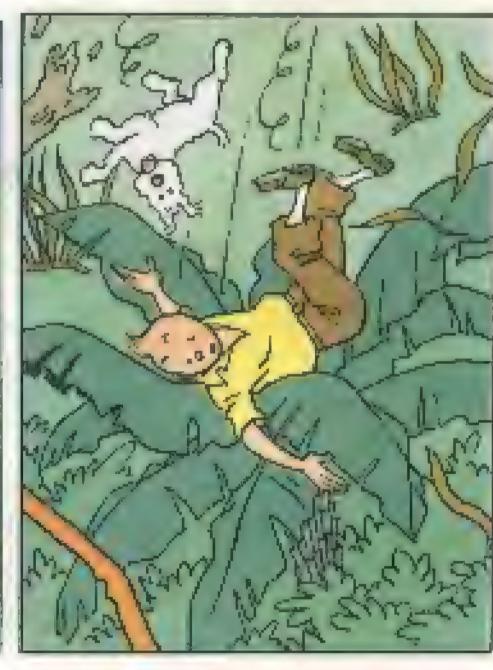






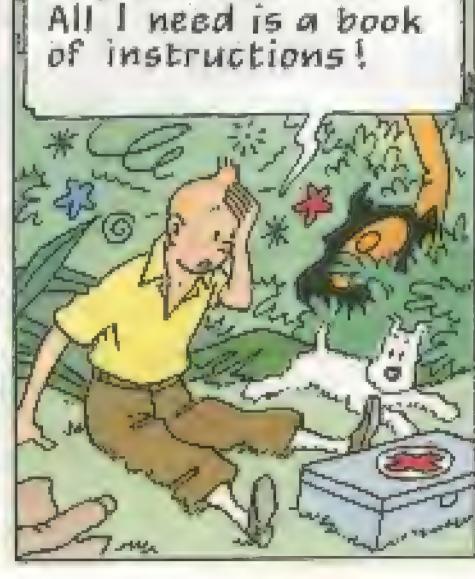




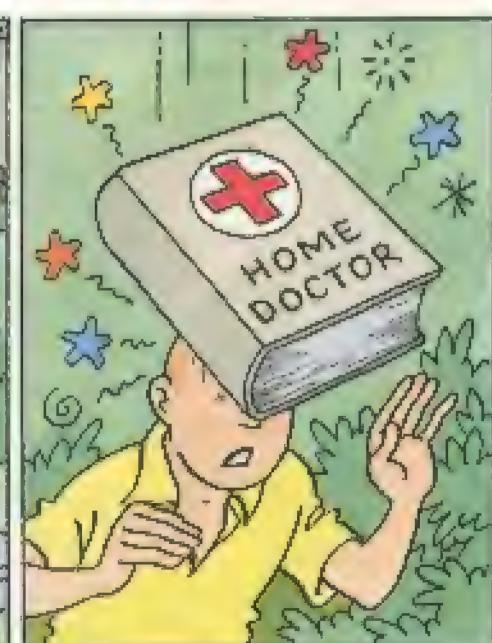


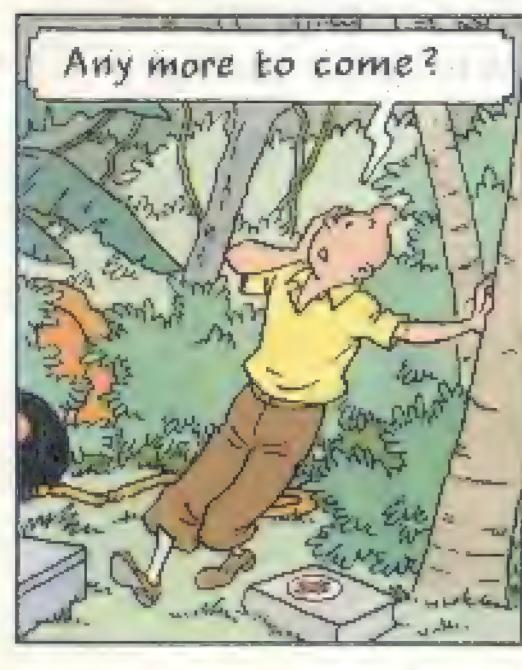


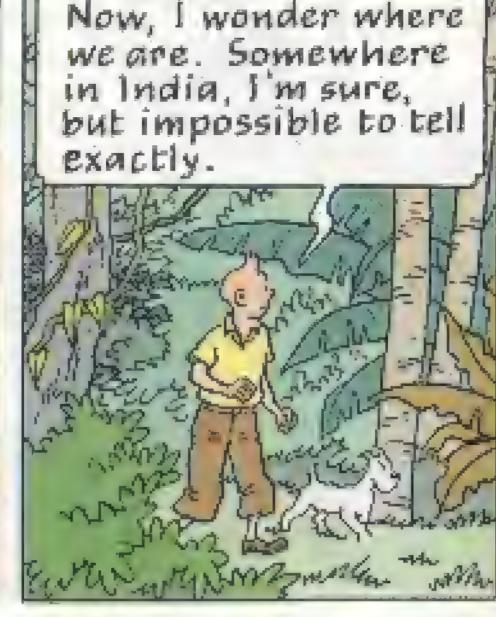




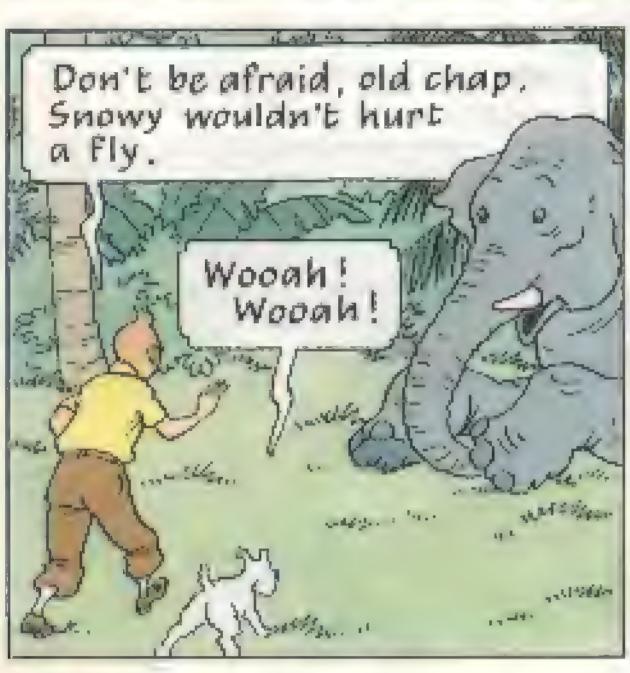
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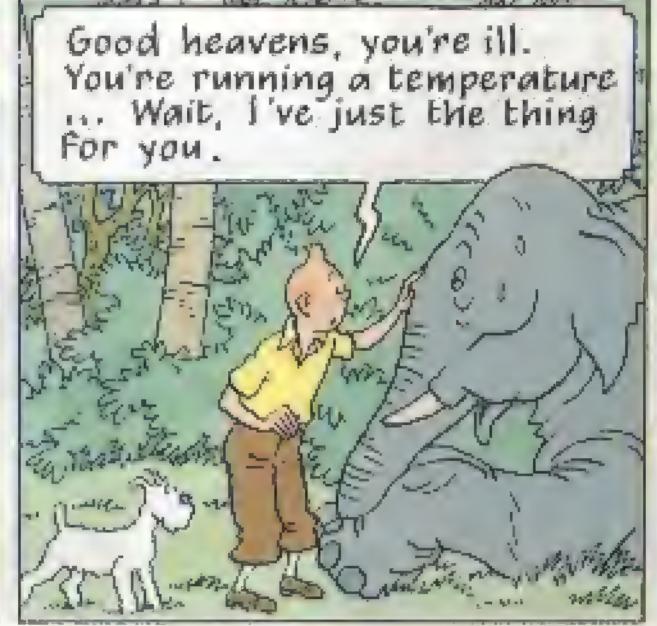




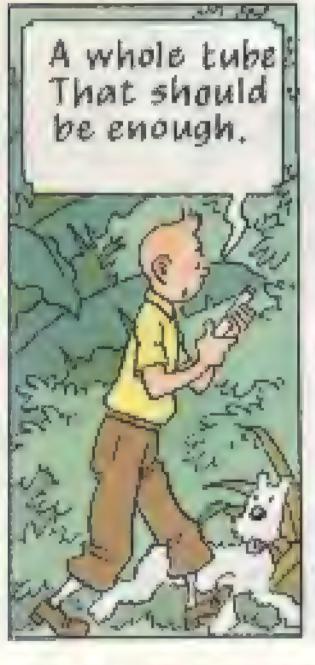




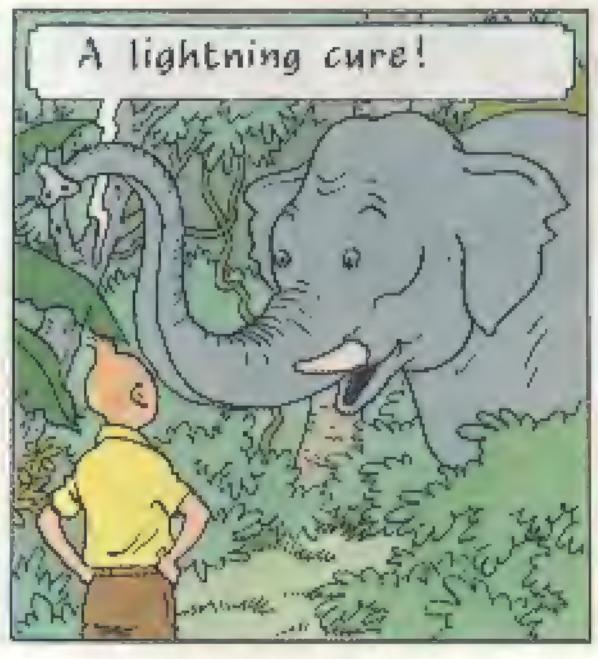




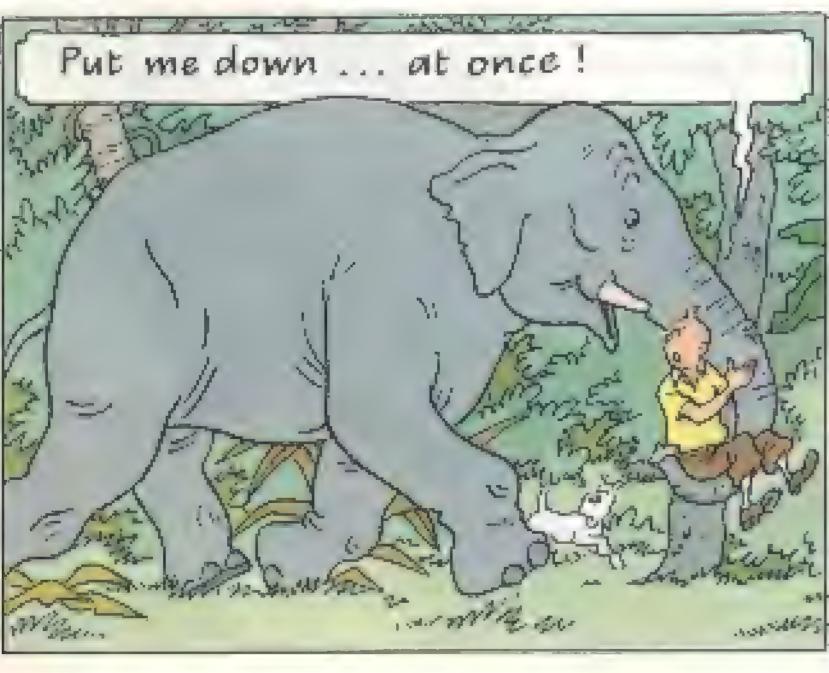


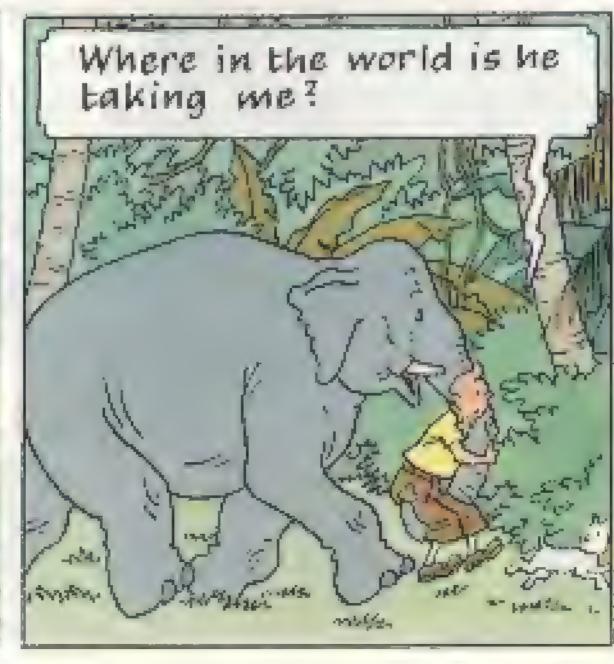


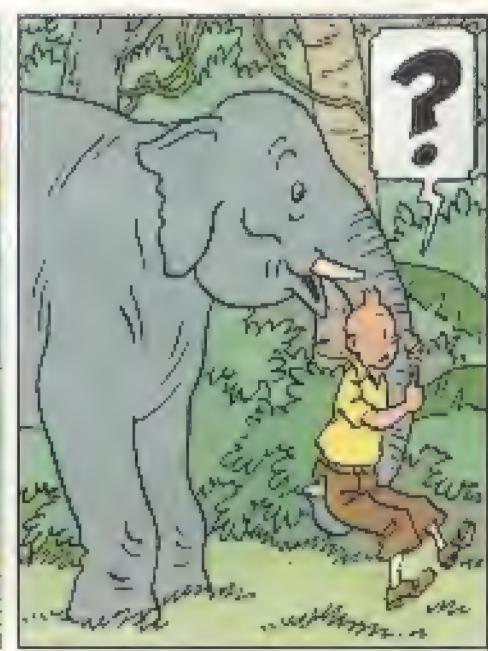


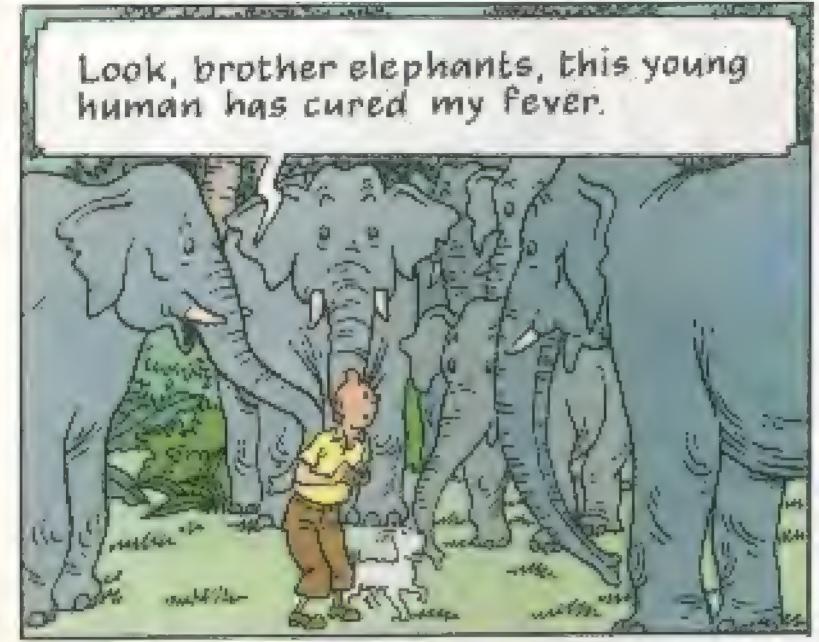




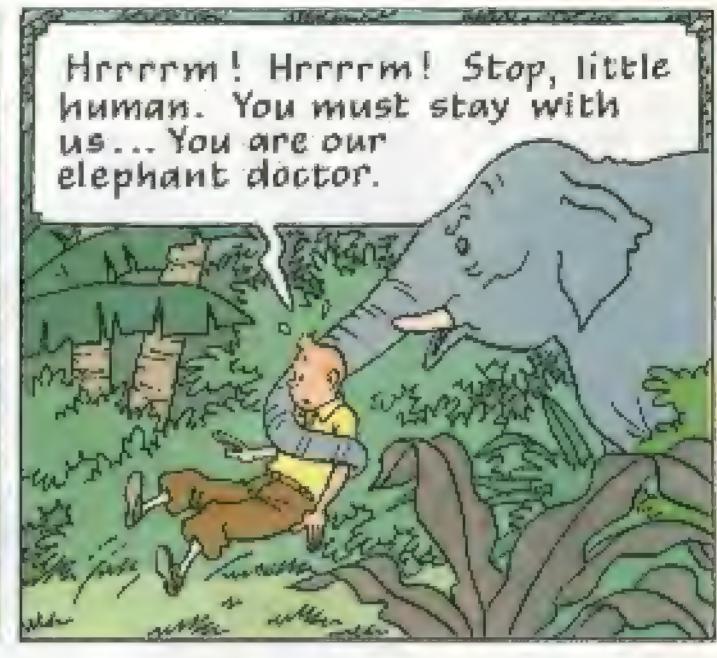






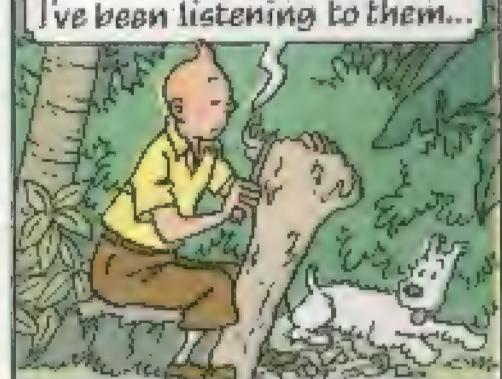






Some days later ...

You see, Snowy, when the elephants talk to one another they make a sort of trumpeting sound. I've been listening to them...



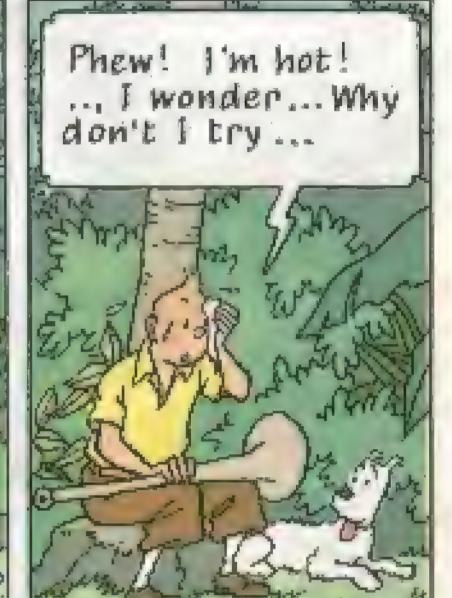
I think I may be able to pick up some of their language. Perhaps I can discover what they're saying, and even talk to them. All I need is a trumpet. So that's what I'm making.

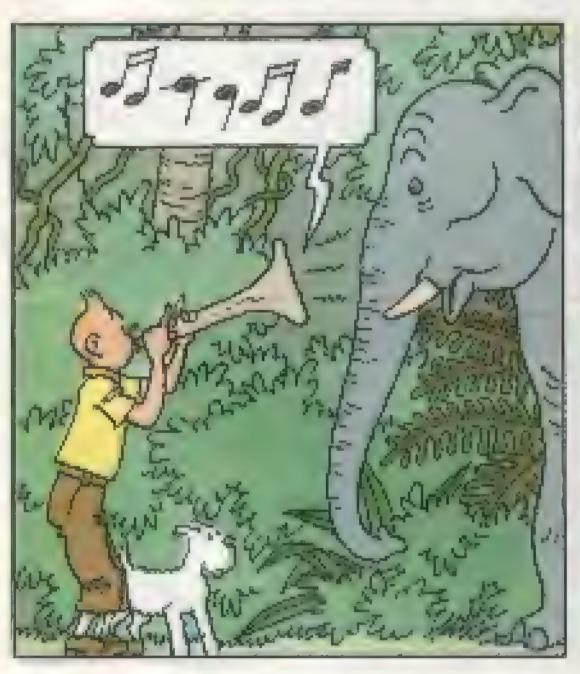


It isn't all that difficult.

SOL-LAH-TE-DOH means
'yes'. DOH-TE-LAH-SOL
means 'no'. 'I want a
drink goes SOL-SOL-FAHFAH... Of course the main
problem is toget a good accent.





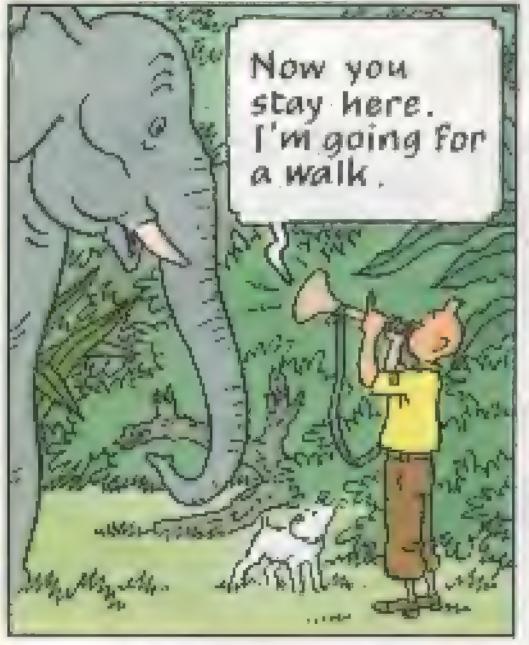




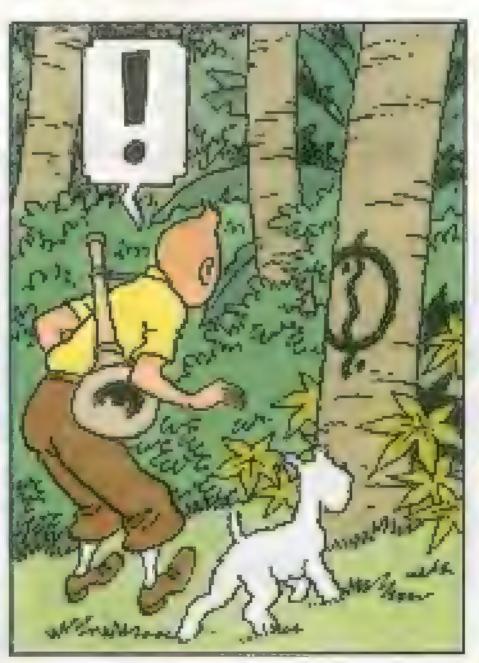
He did! He's coming back! Hooray, I've learnt to talk Elephant!



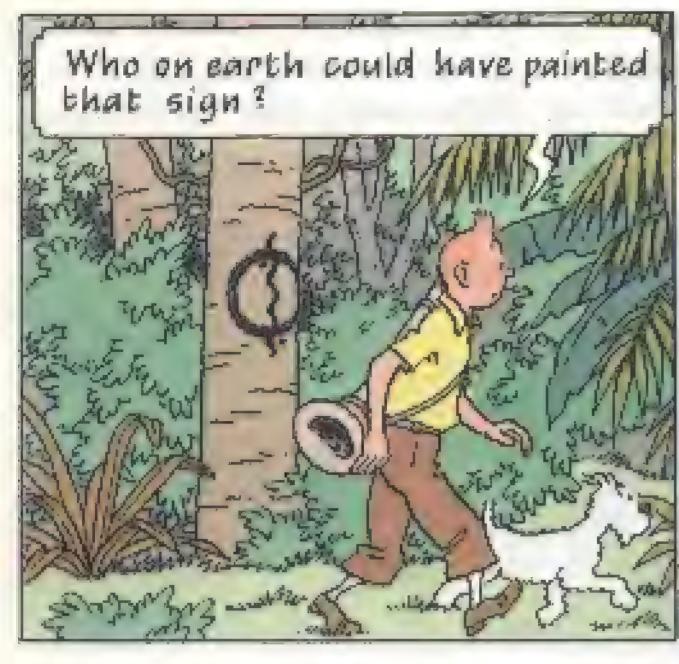


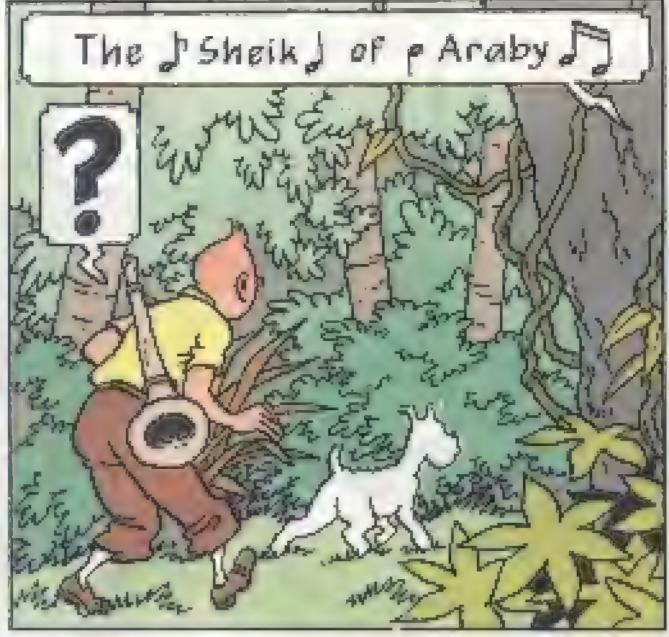


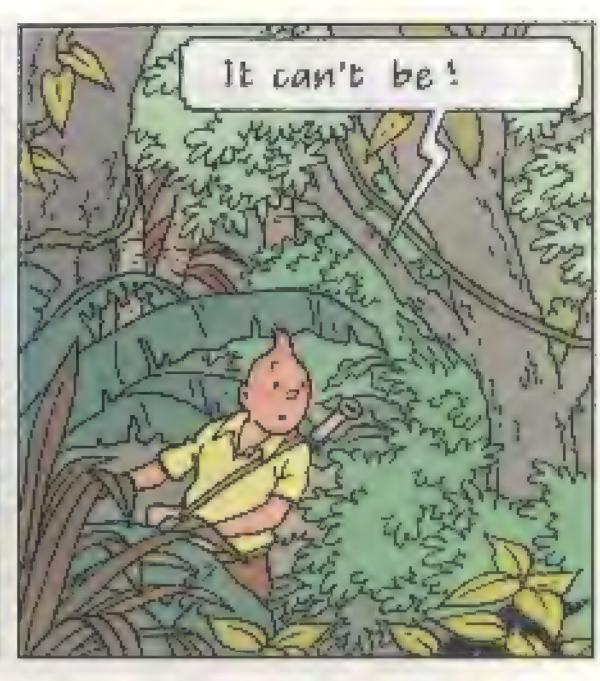


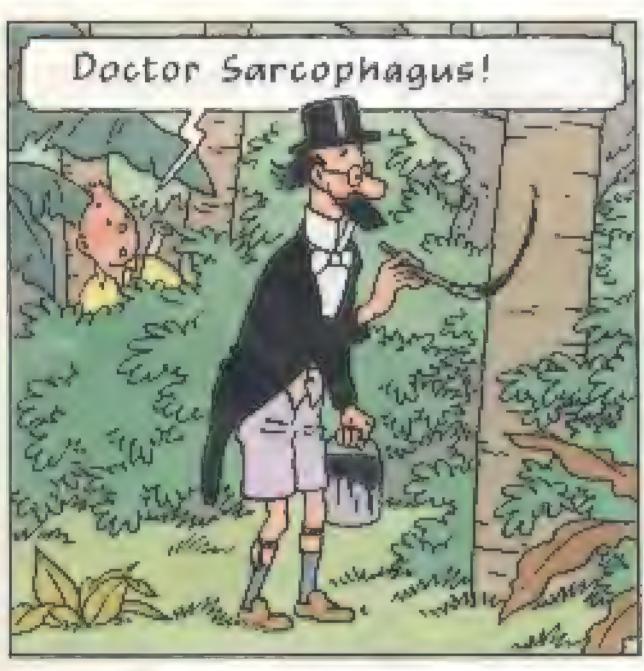




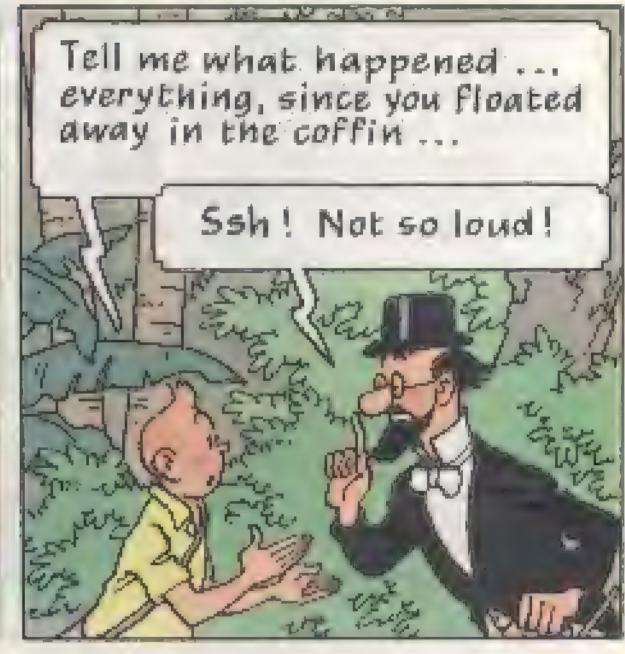




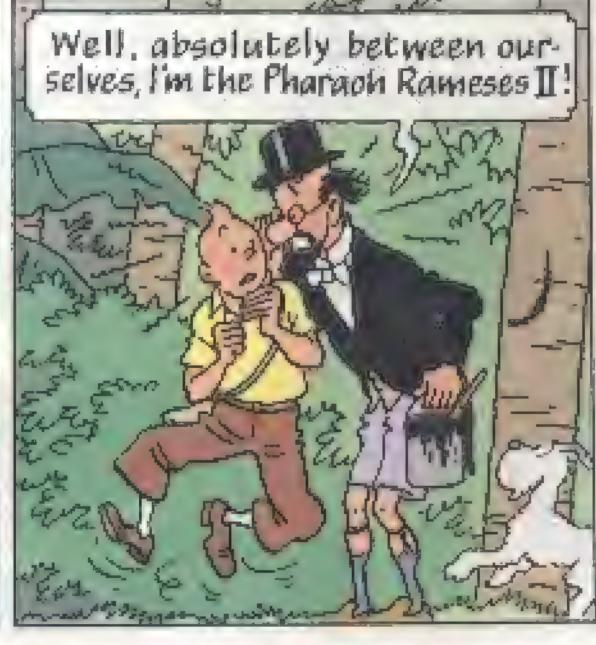




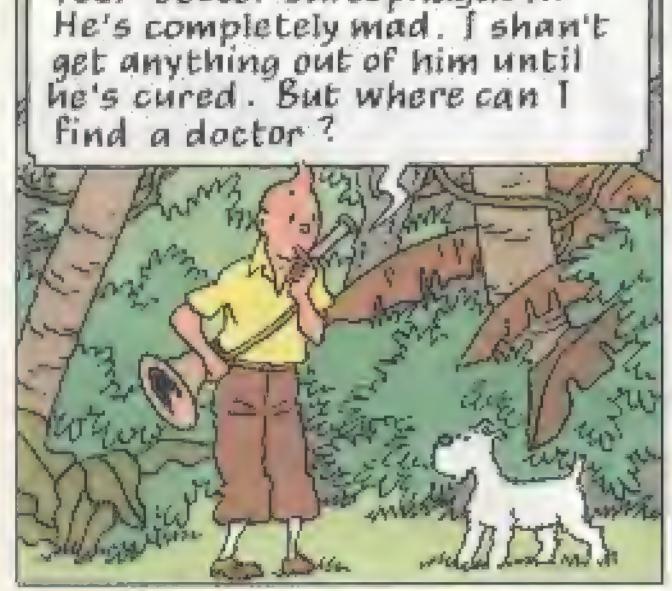








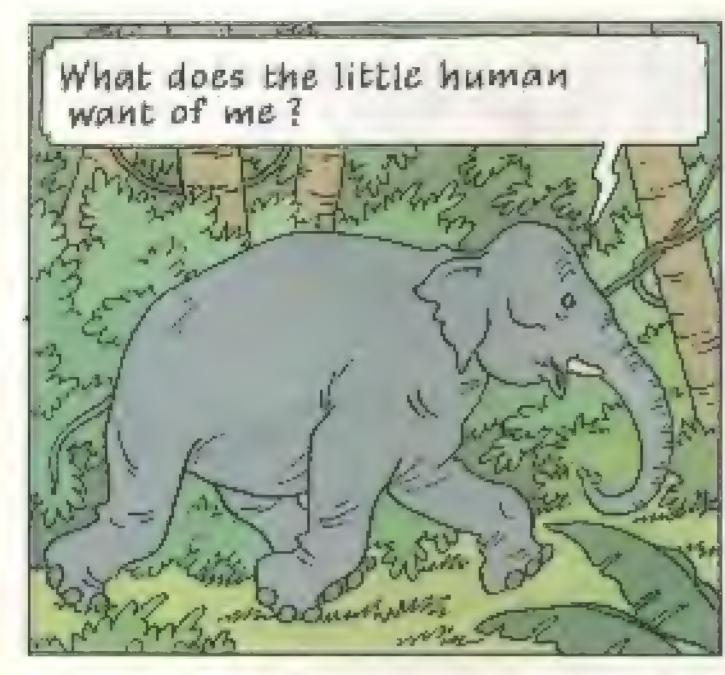




Poor Doctor Sarcophagus...





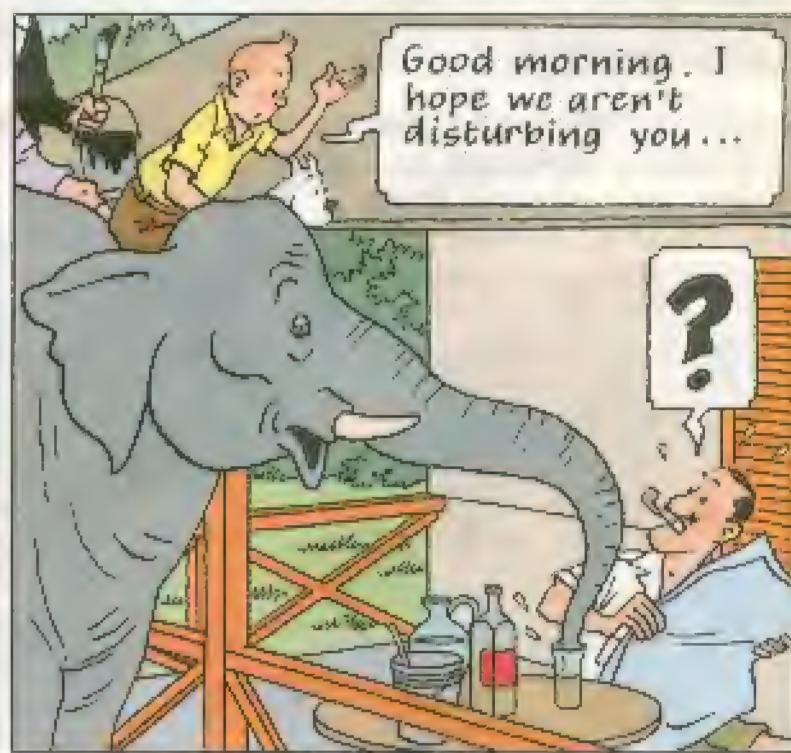




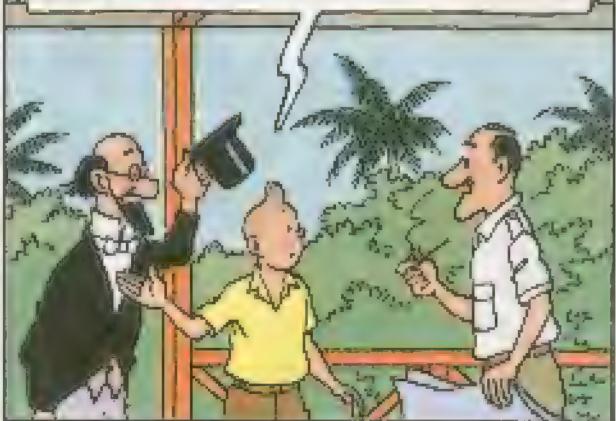








I found this man wandering in the jungle. He seems to have gone out of his mind. Is there a doctor anywhere near?

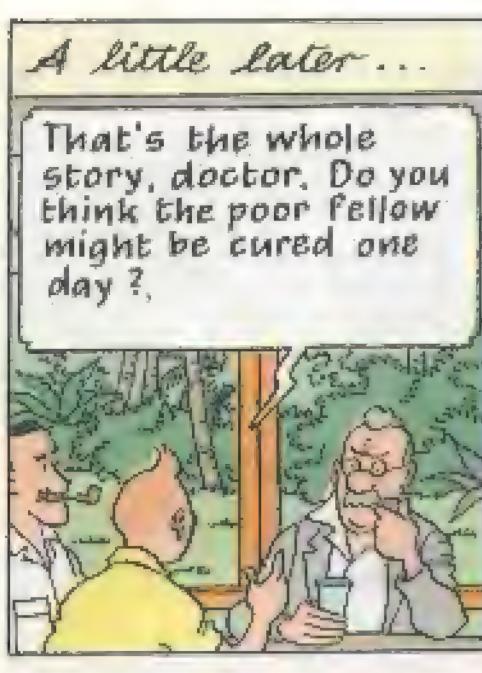


You're in luck.
Dr. Finney is up
visiting this
area. I'll send
for him right
away.





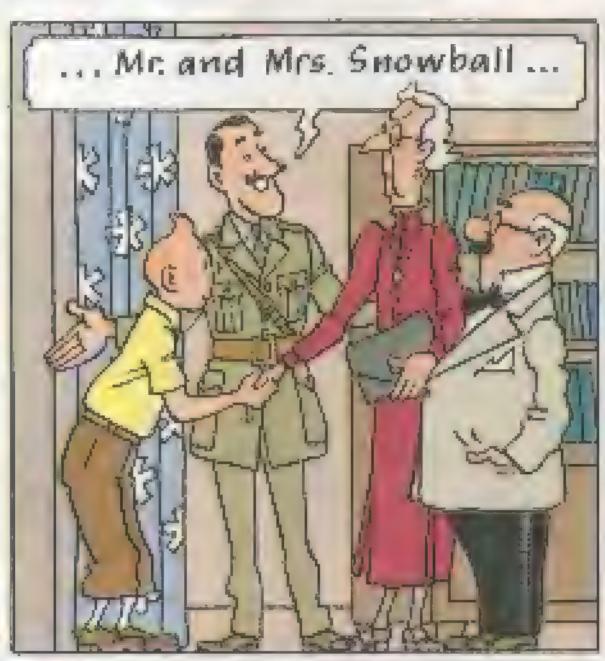


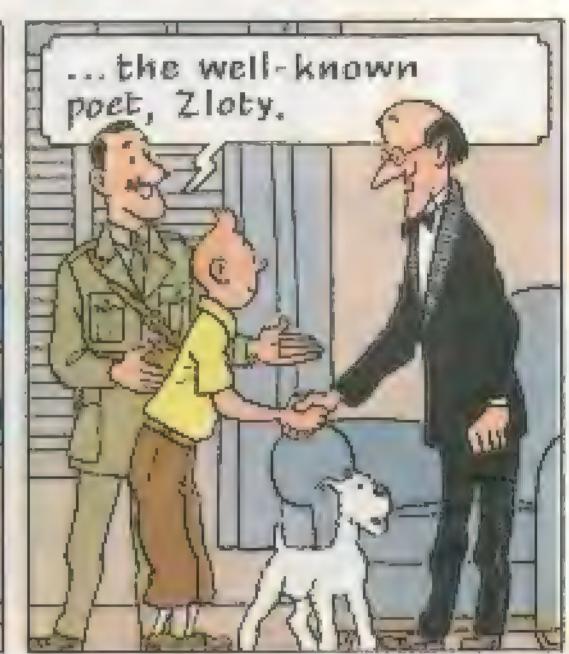




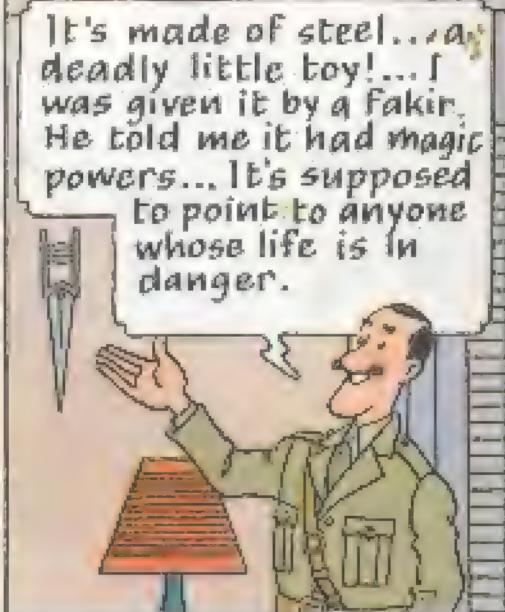










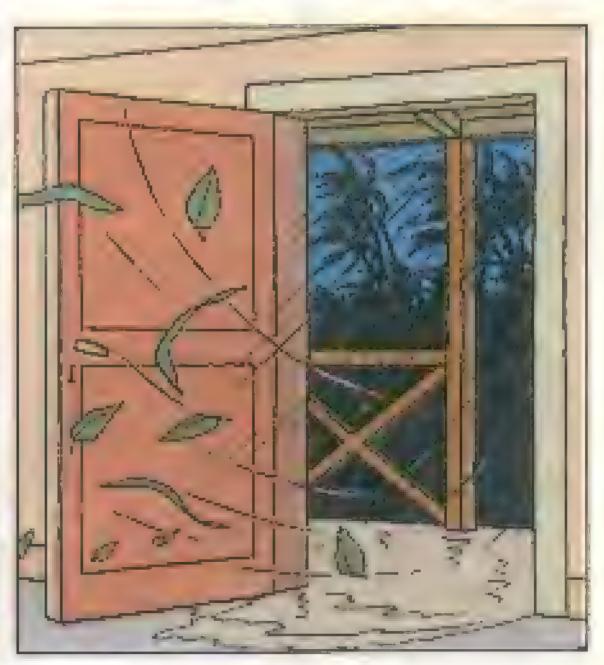




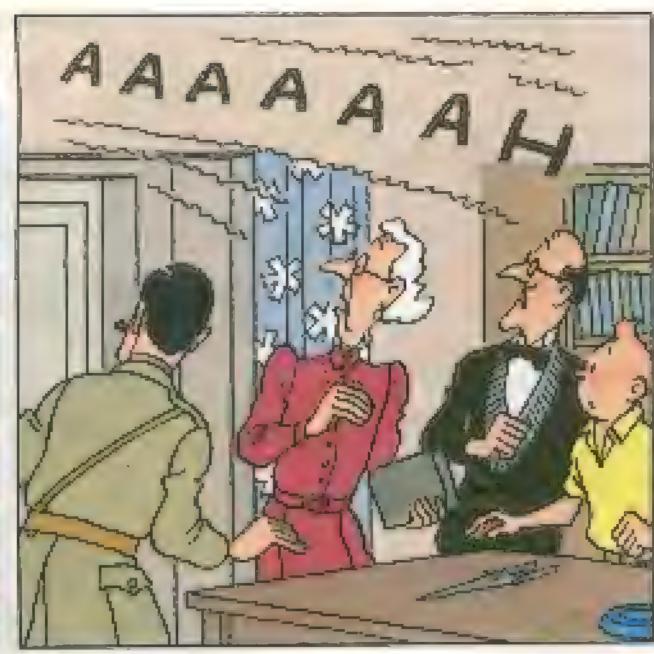


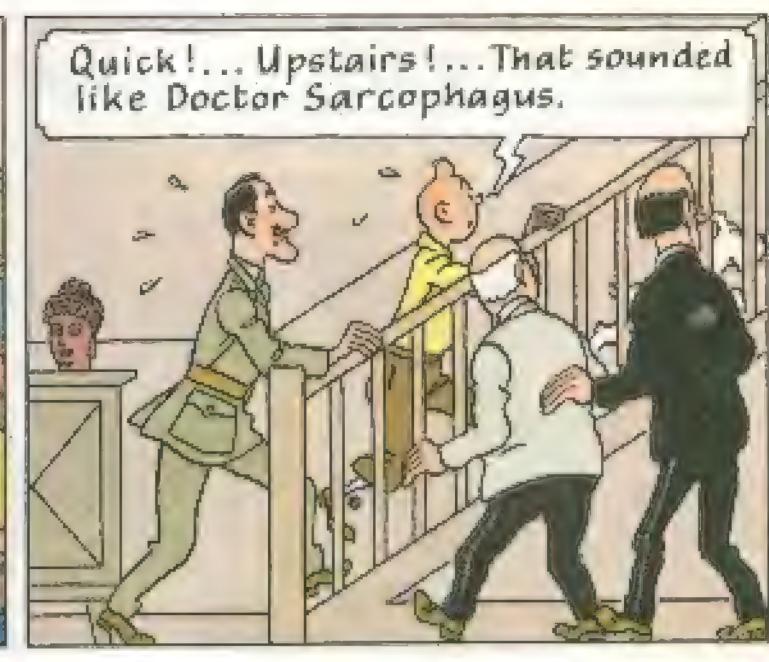










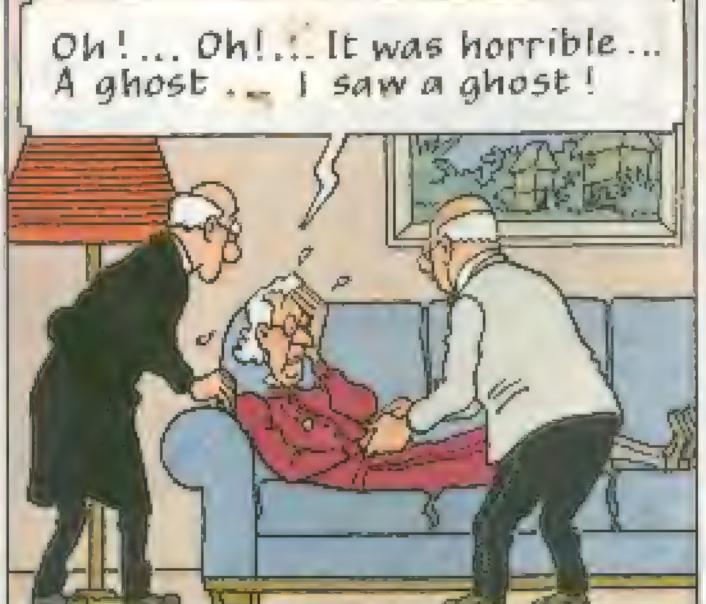




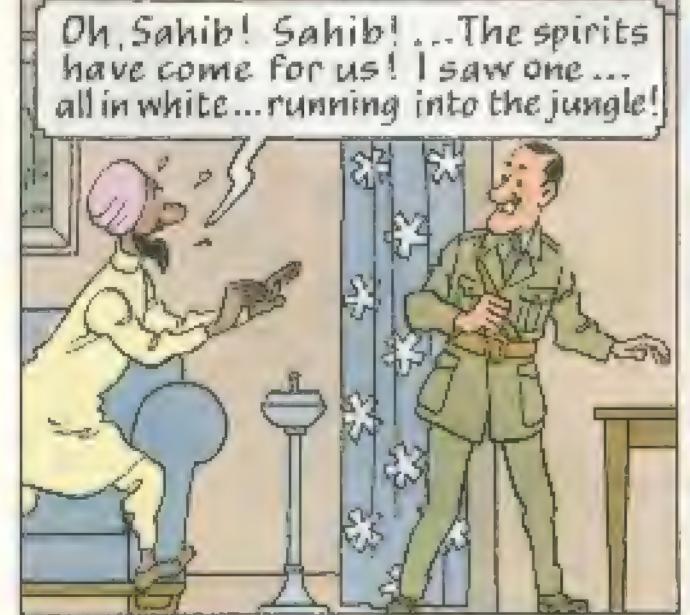


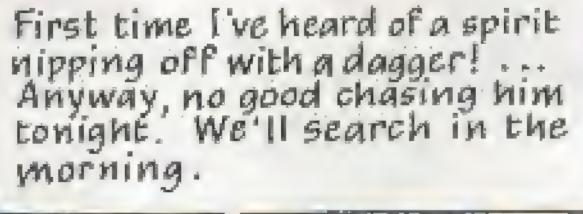










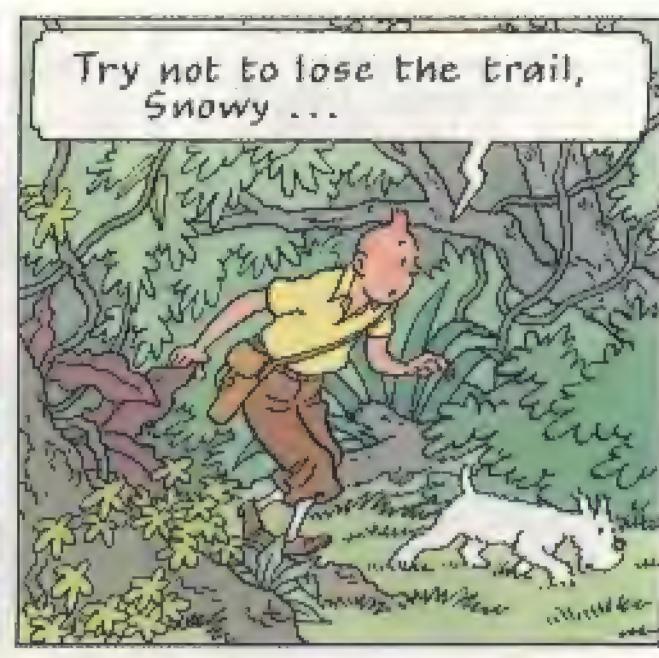




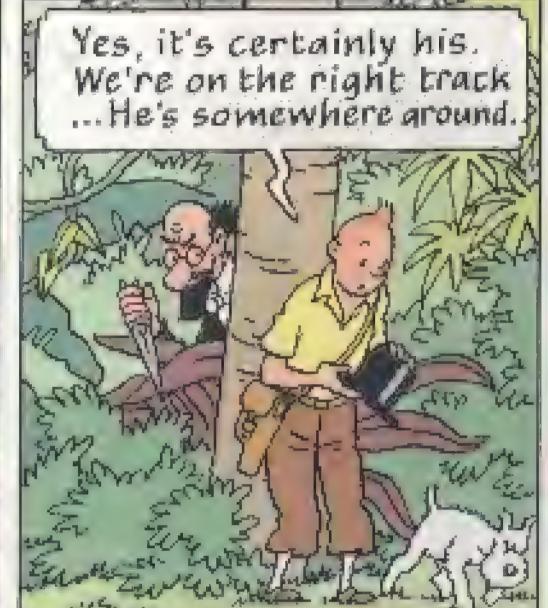


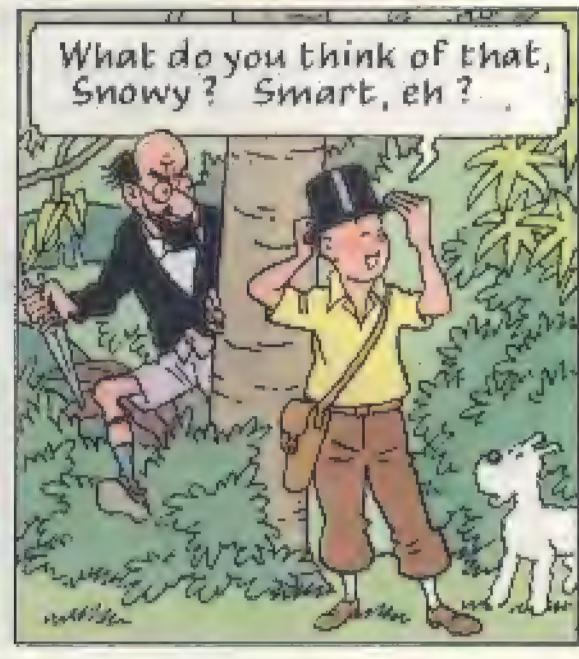


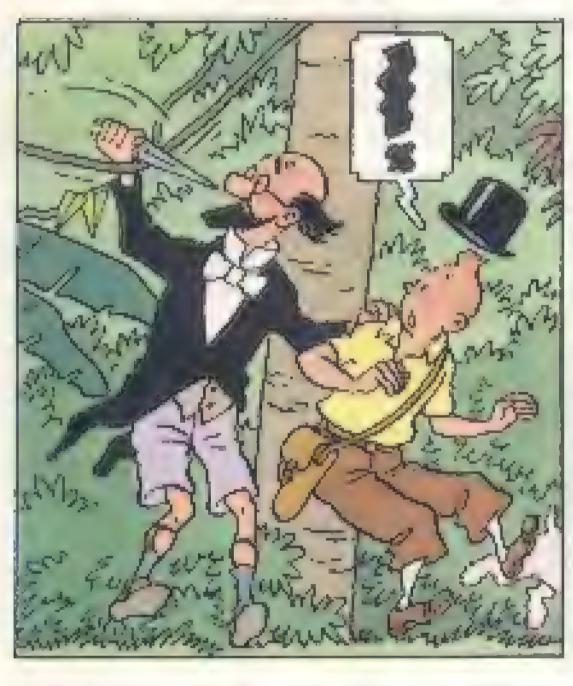


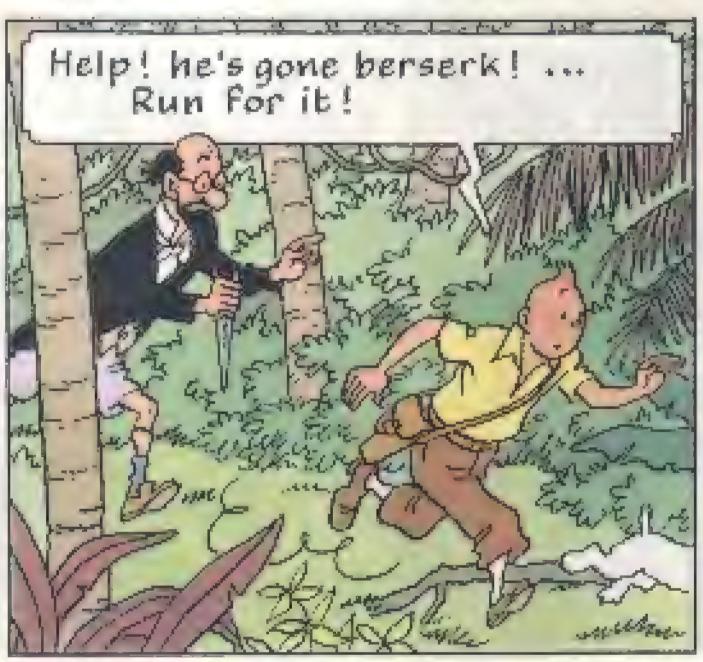




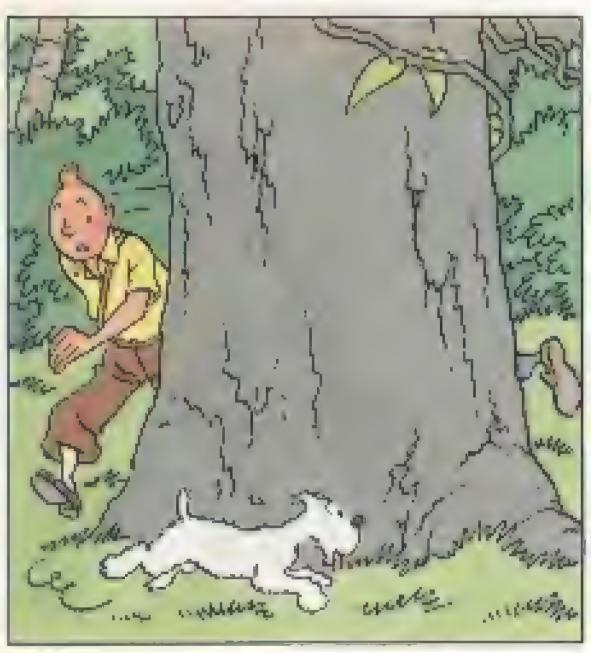




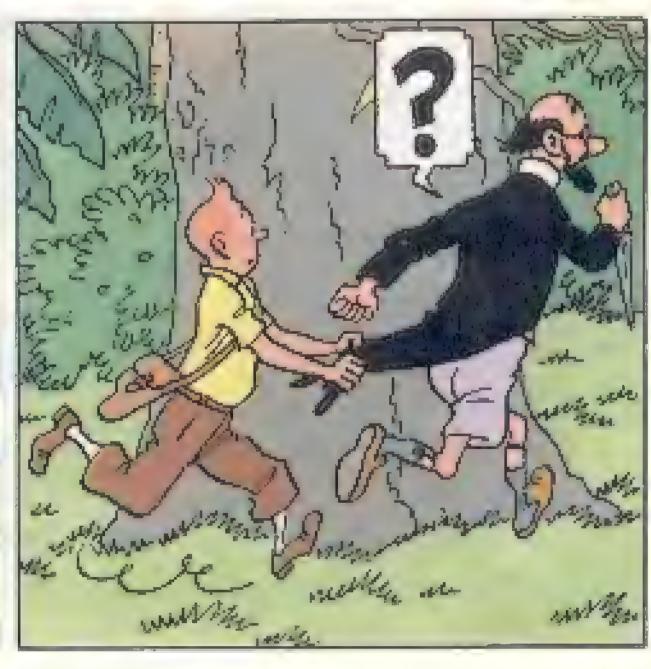




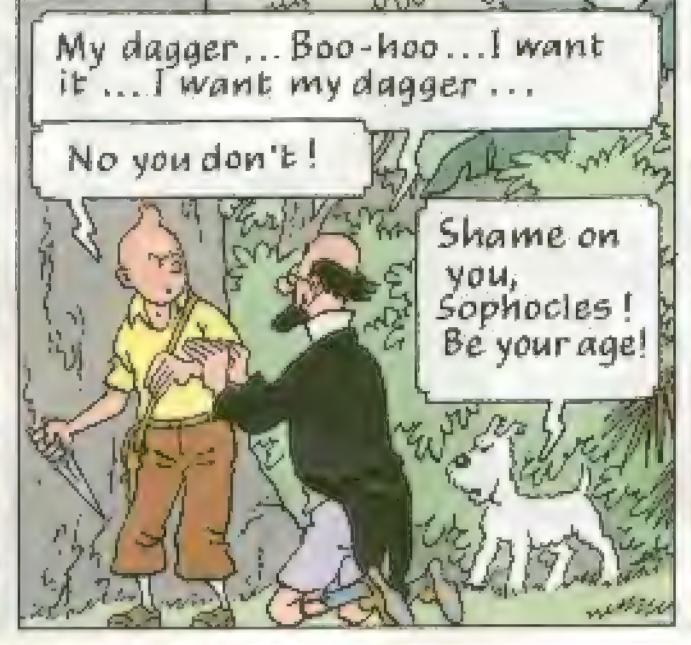


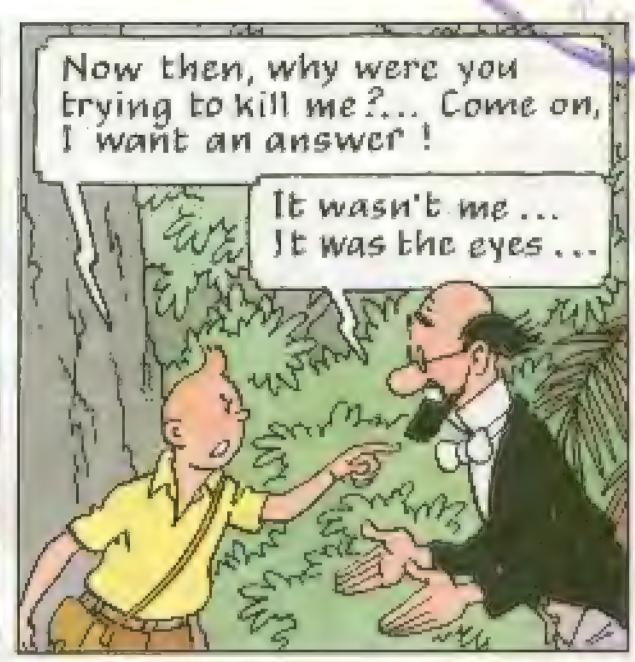


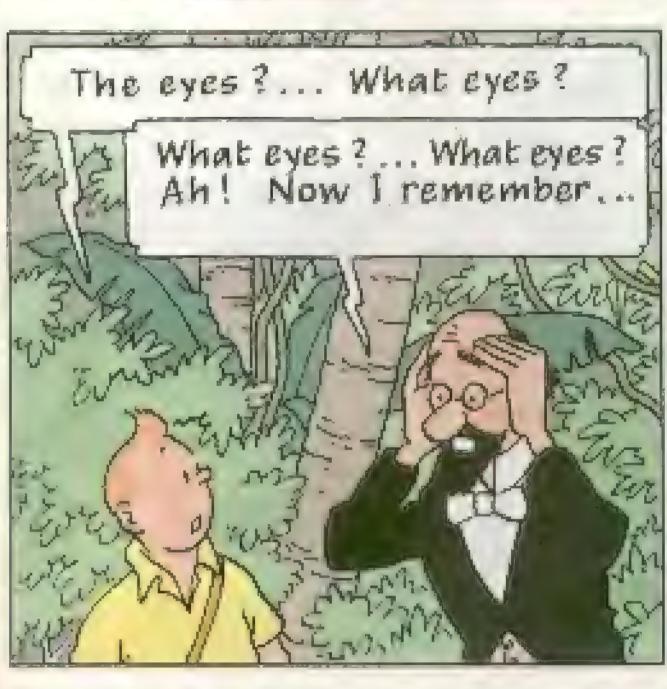




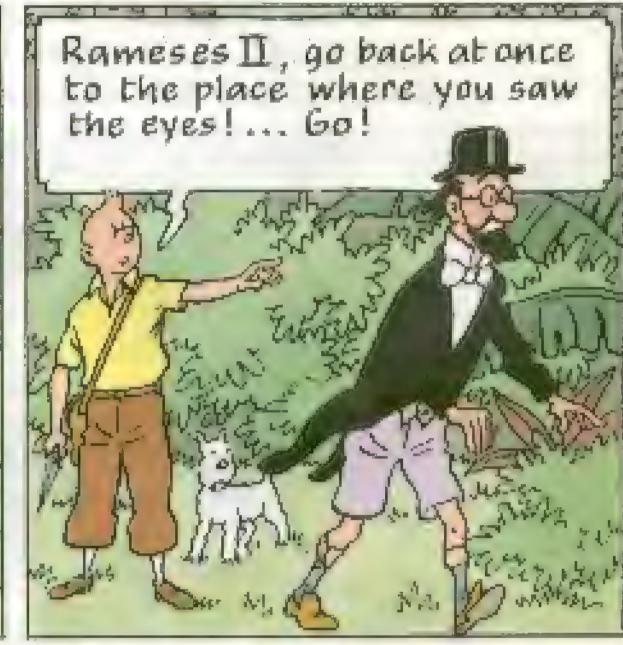


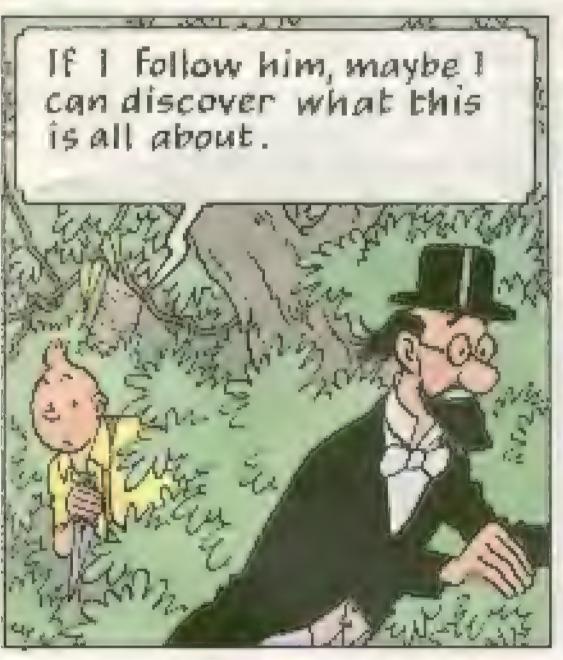




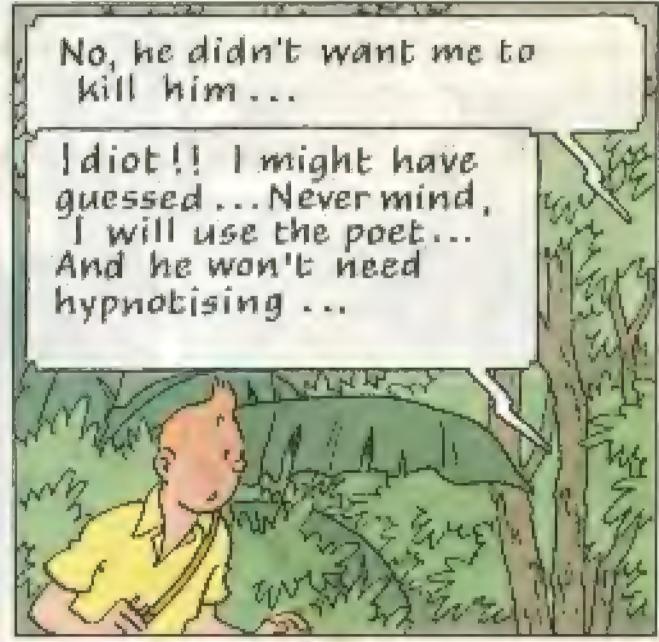




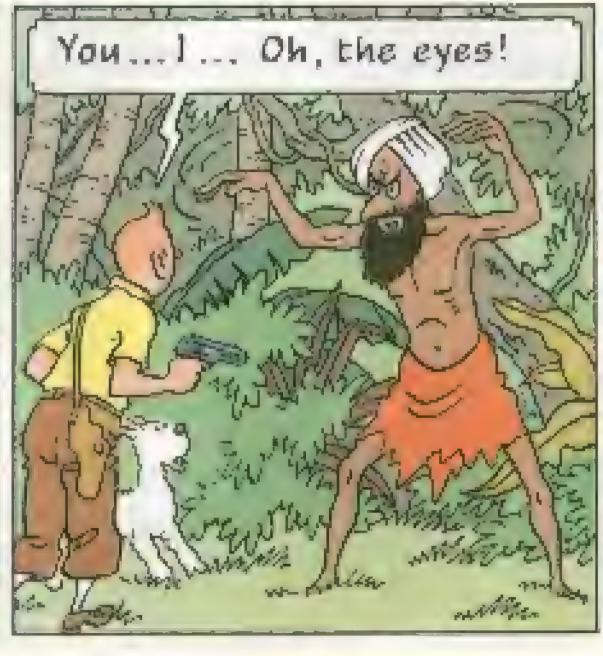


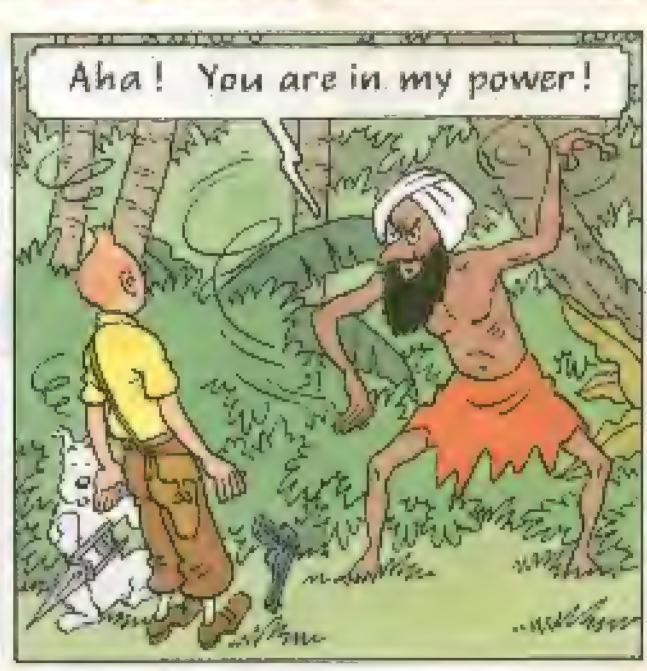


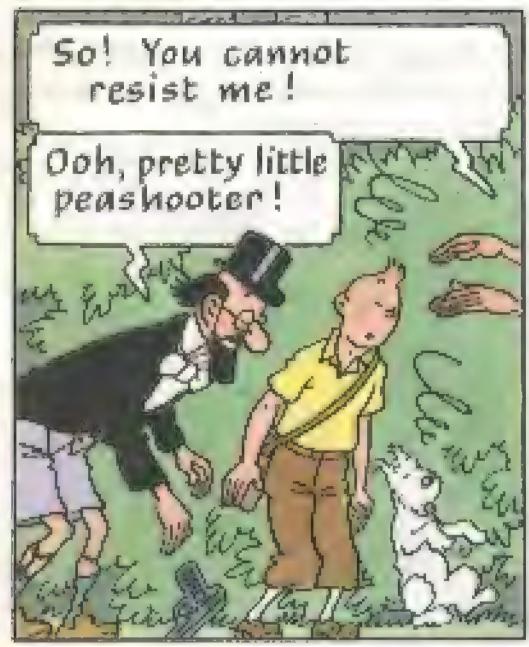










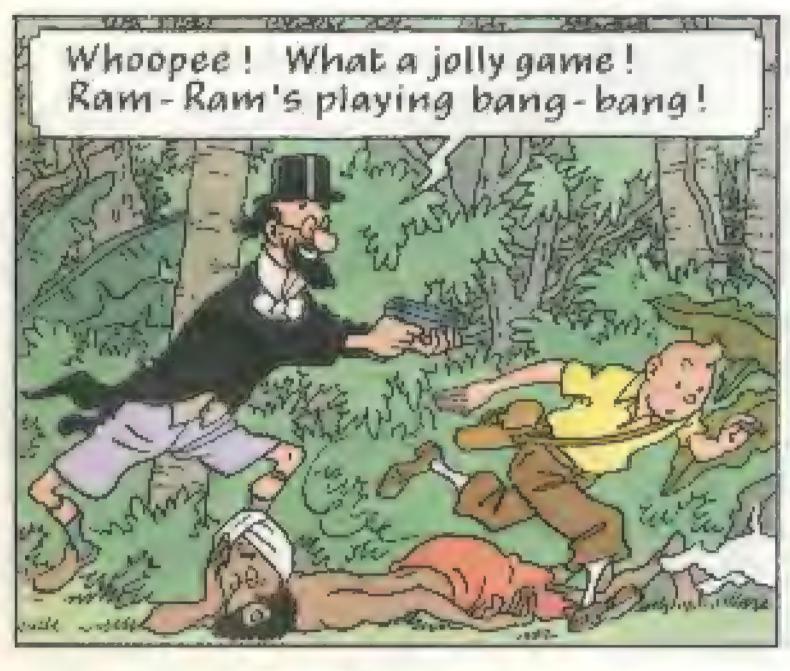


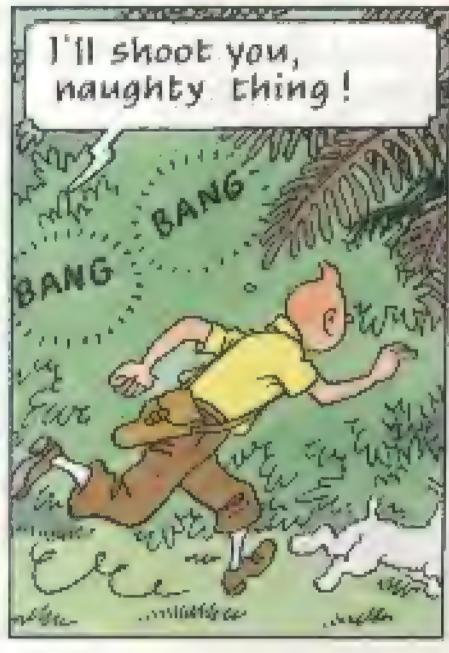




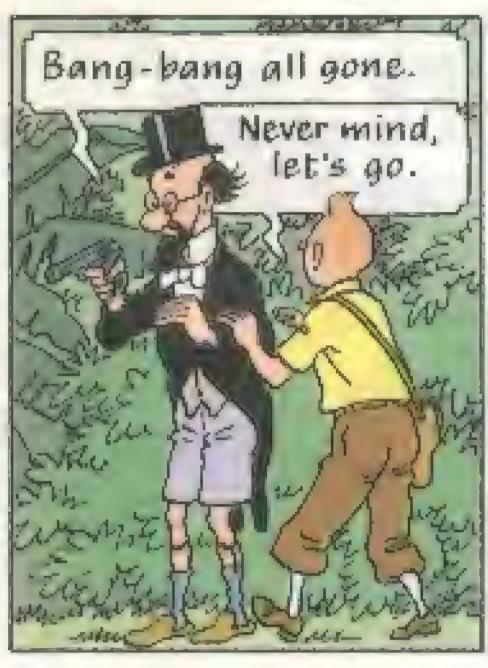


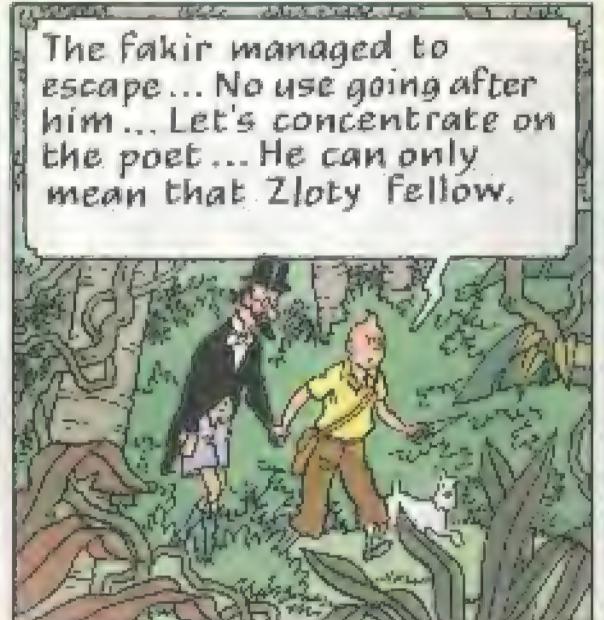


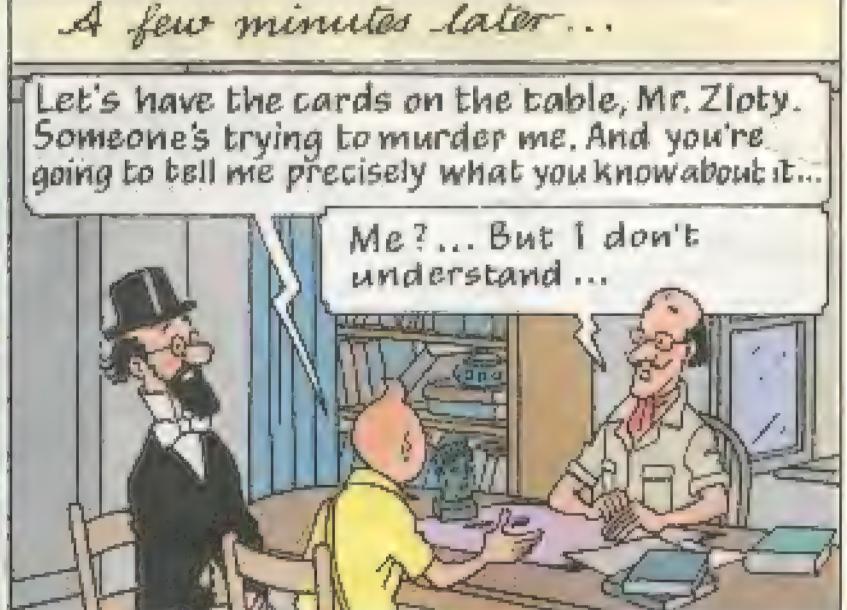


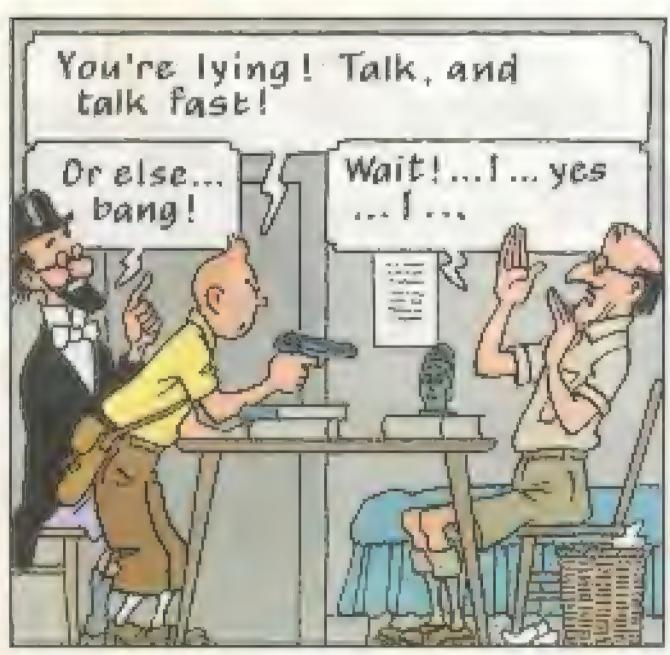


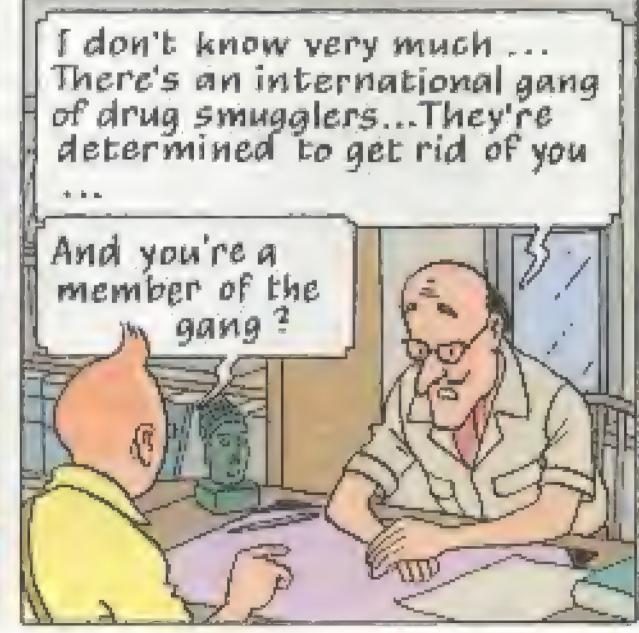


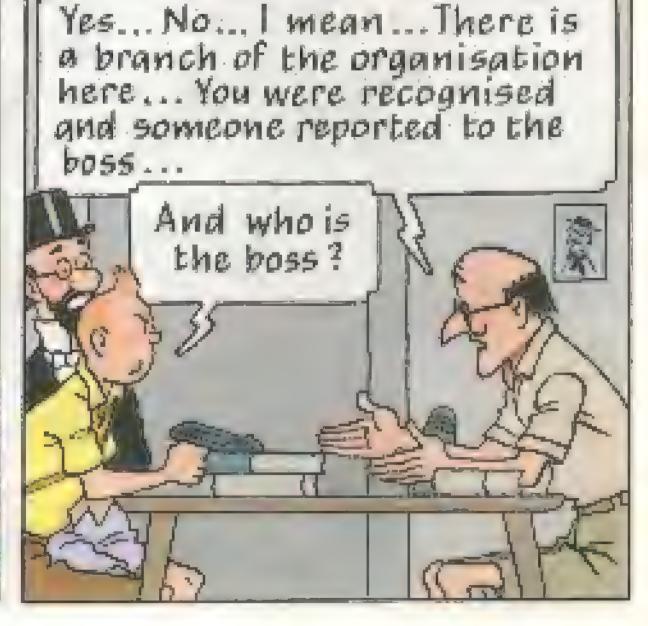


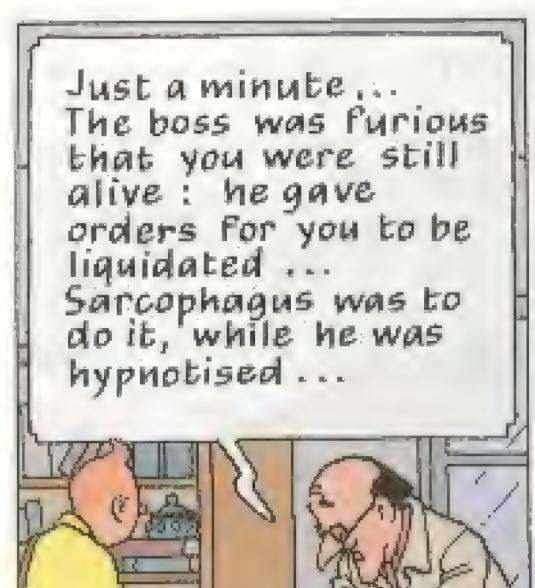


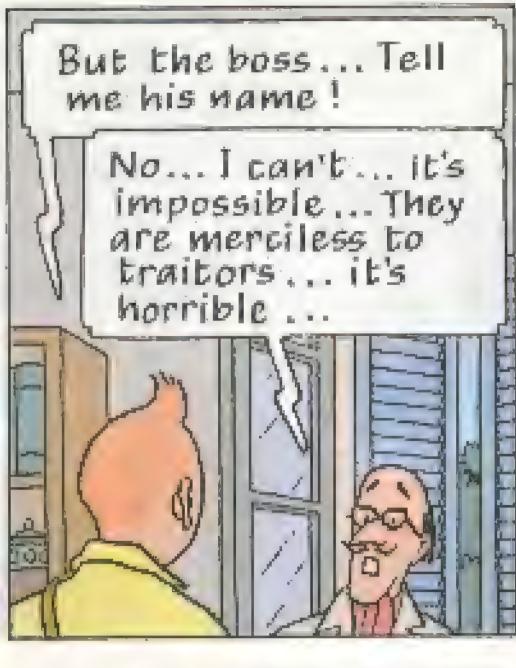




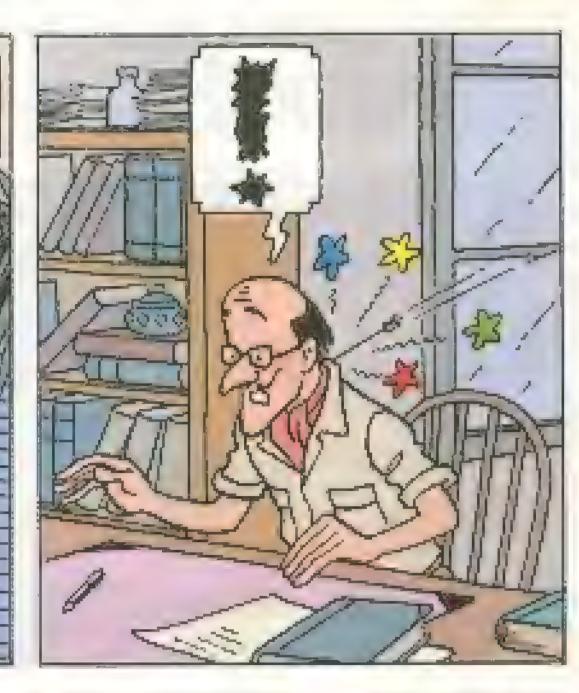


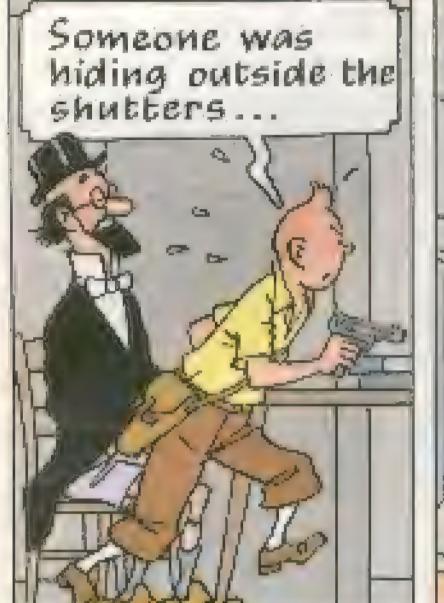


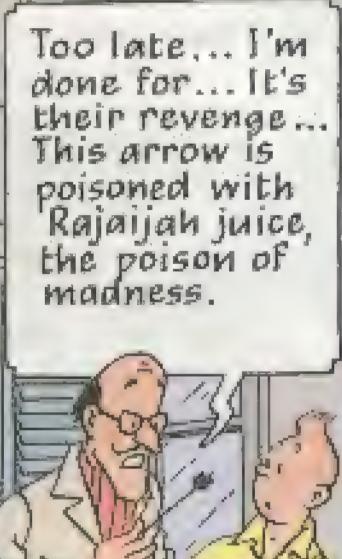






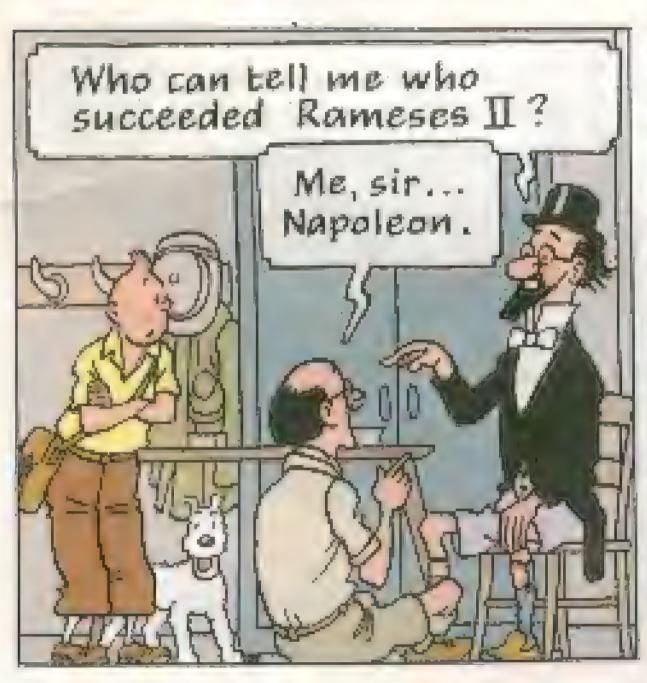


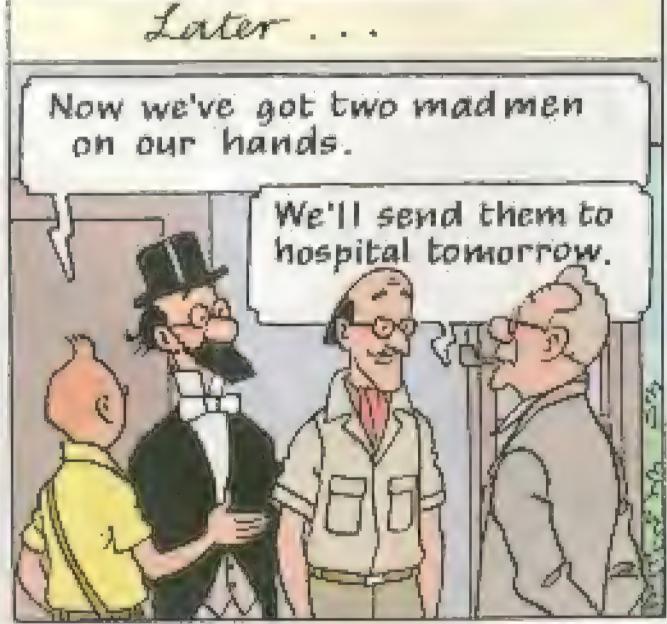




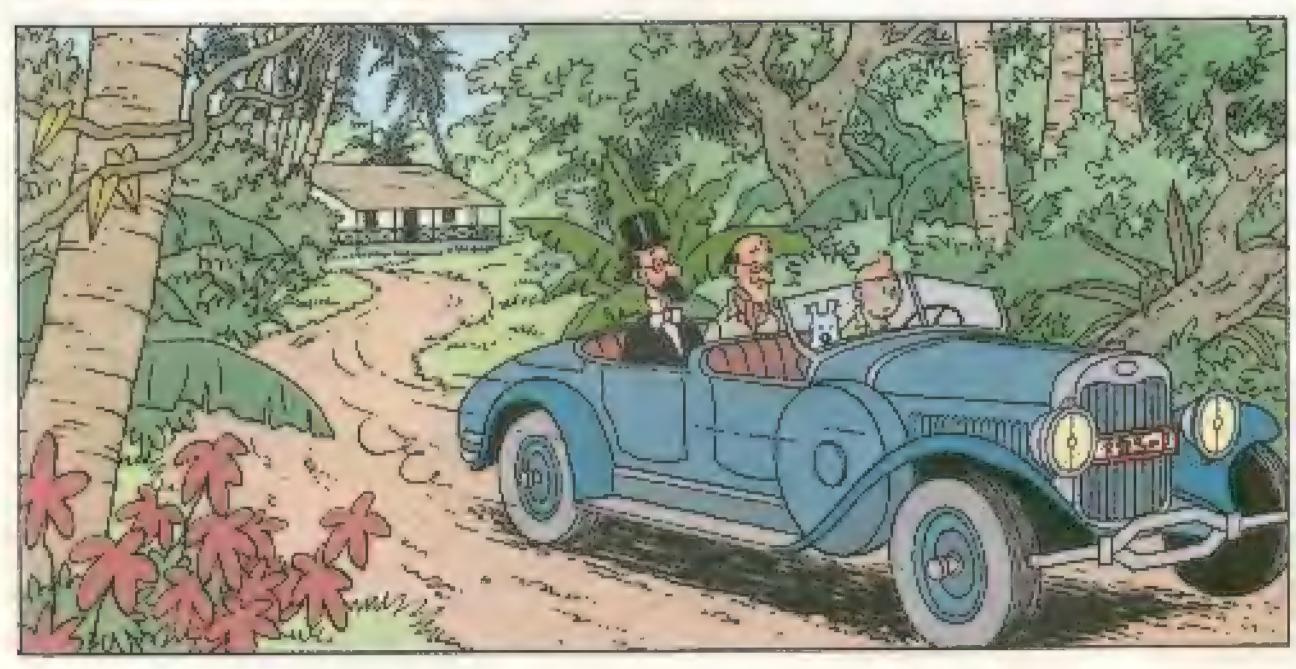


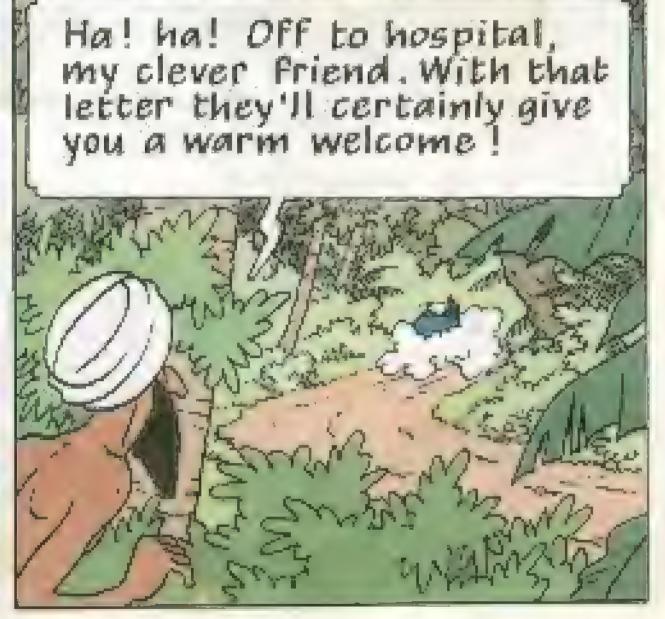


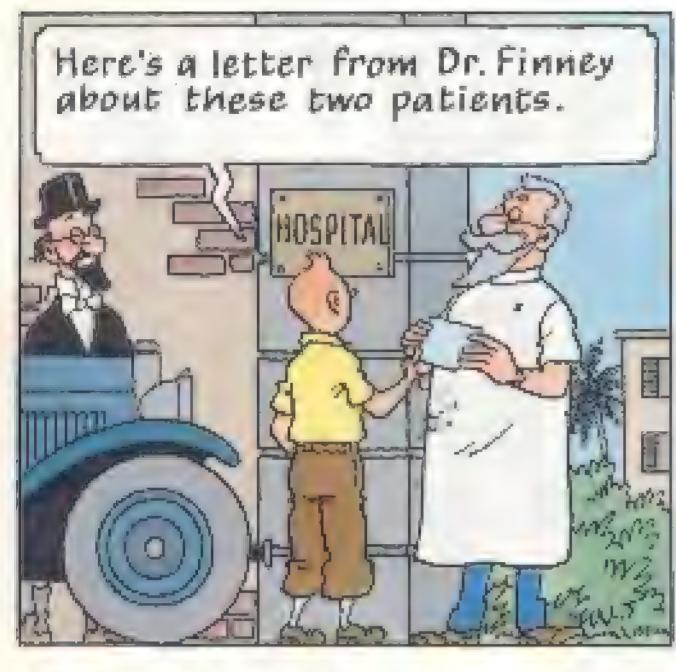




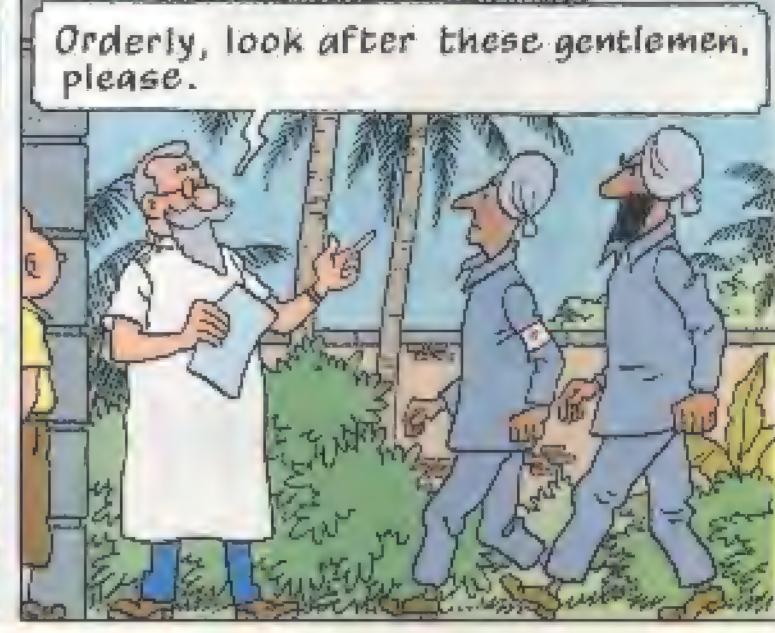










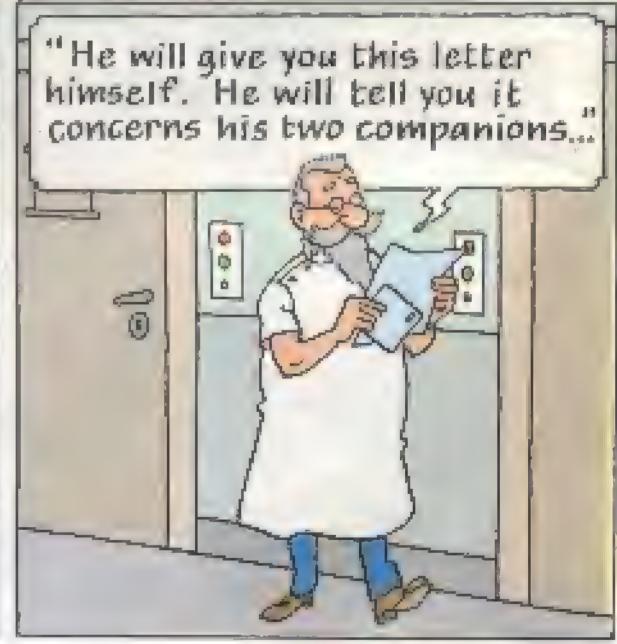




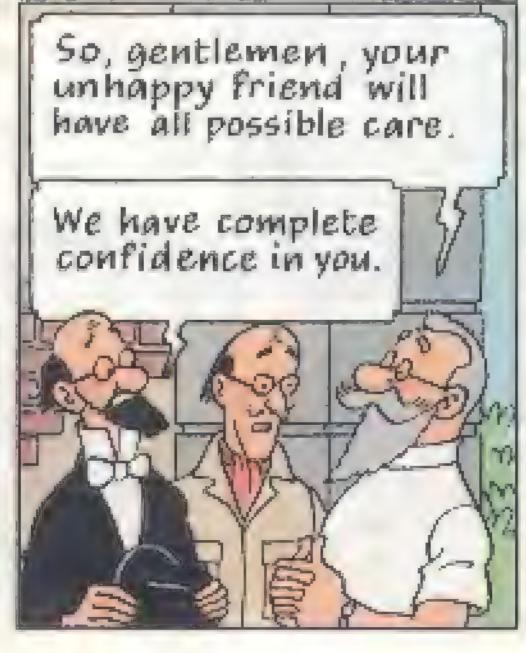


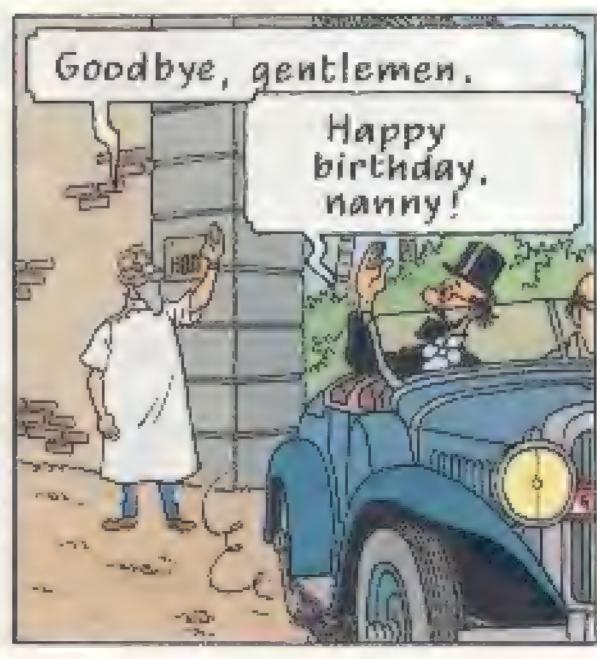


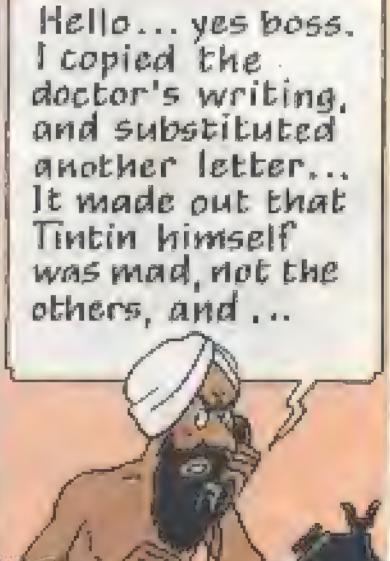




"... He is extremely dangerous. You
should trick him
into entering a
cell, rather than
force him. He
will keep on
insisting that he
is absolutely
same..."



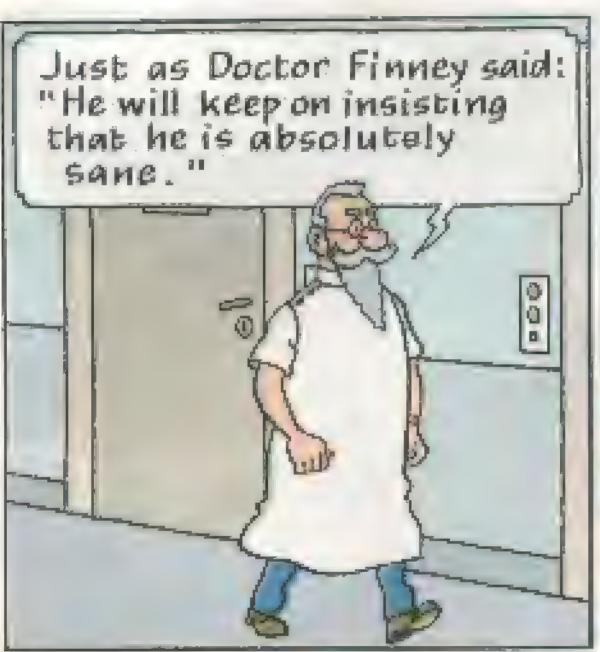
















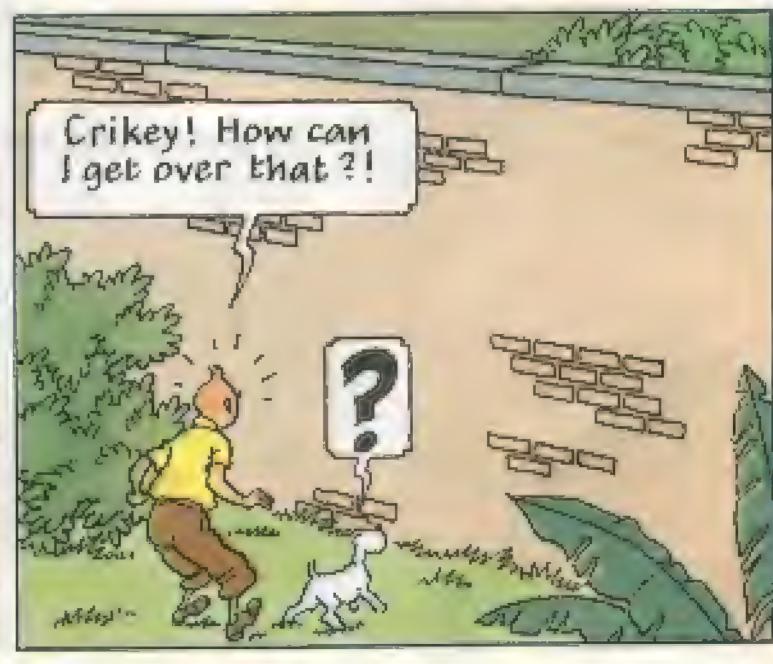


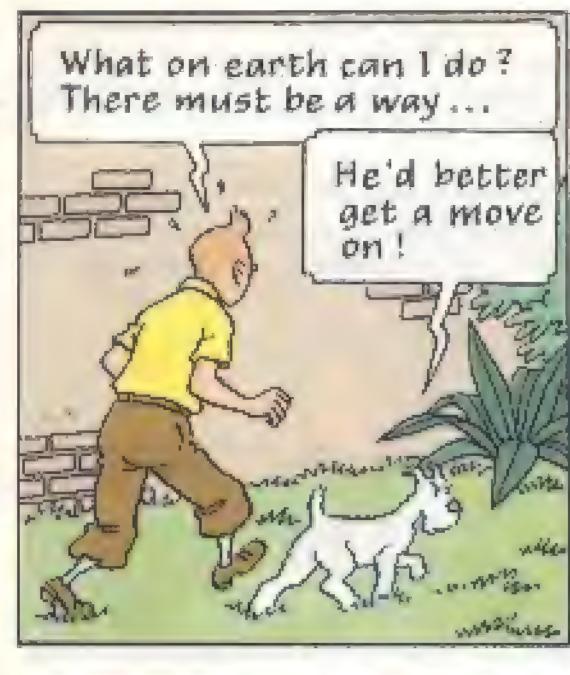


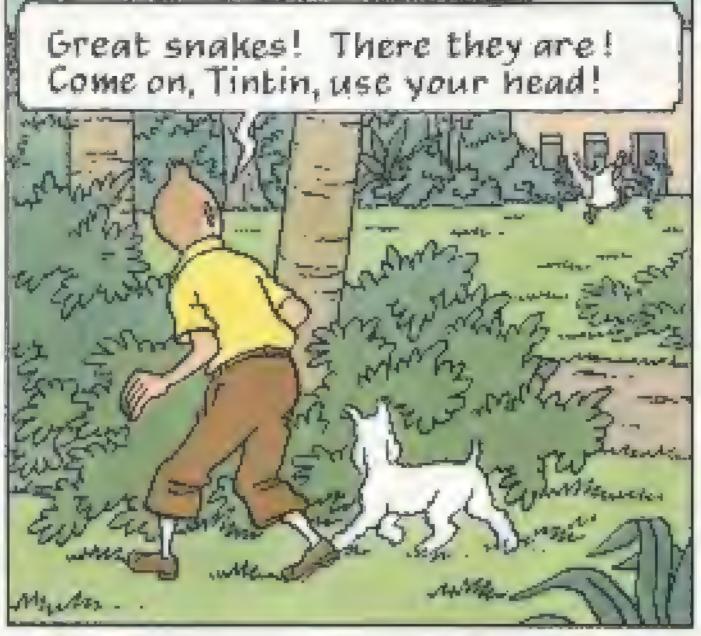


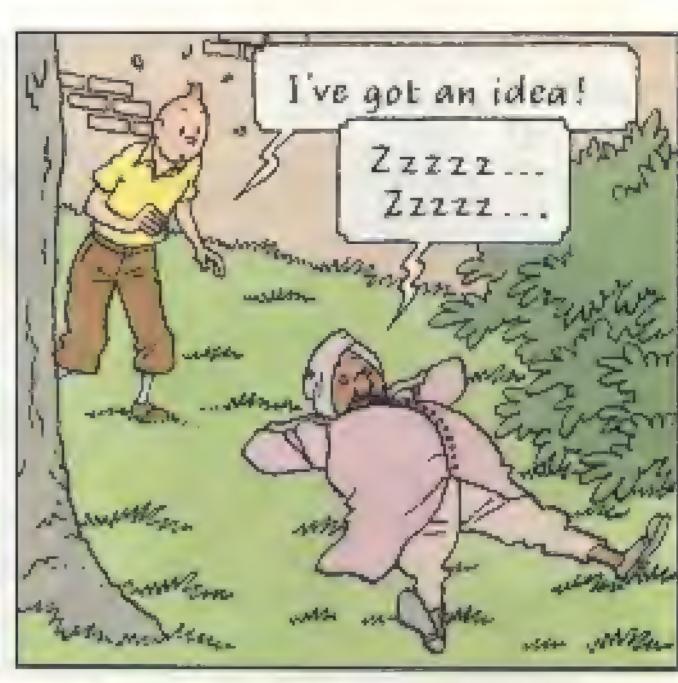




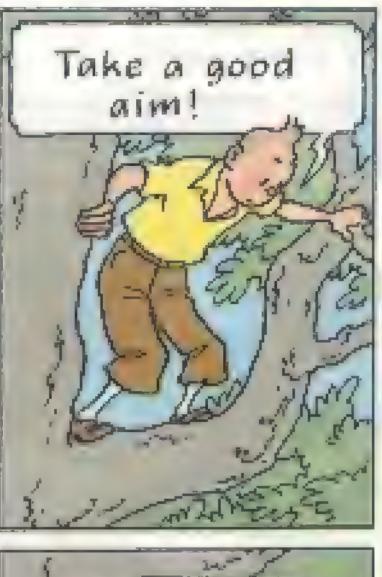


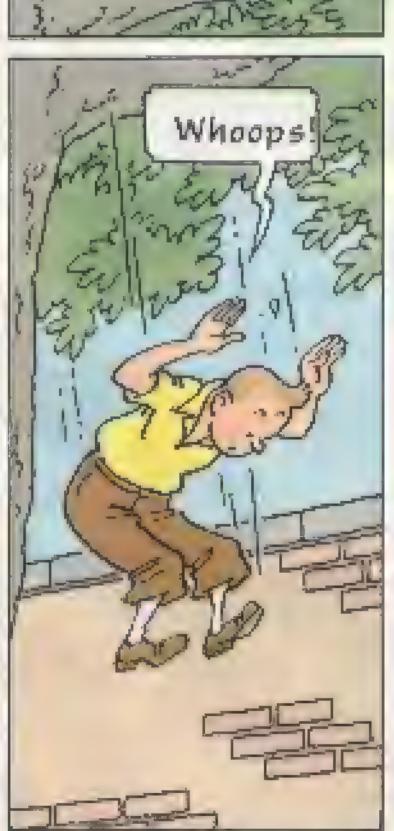




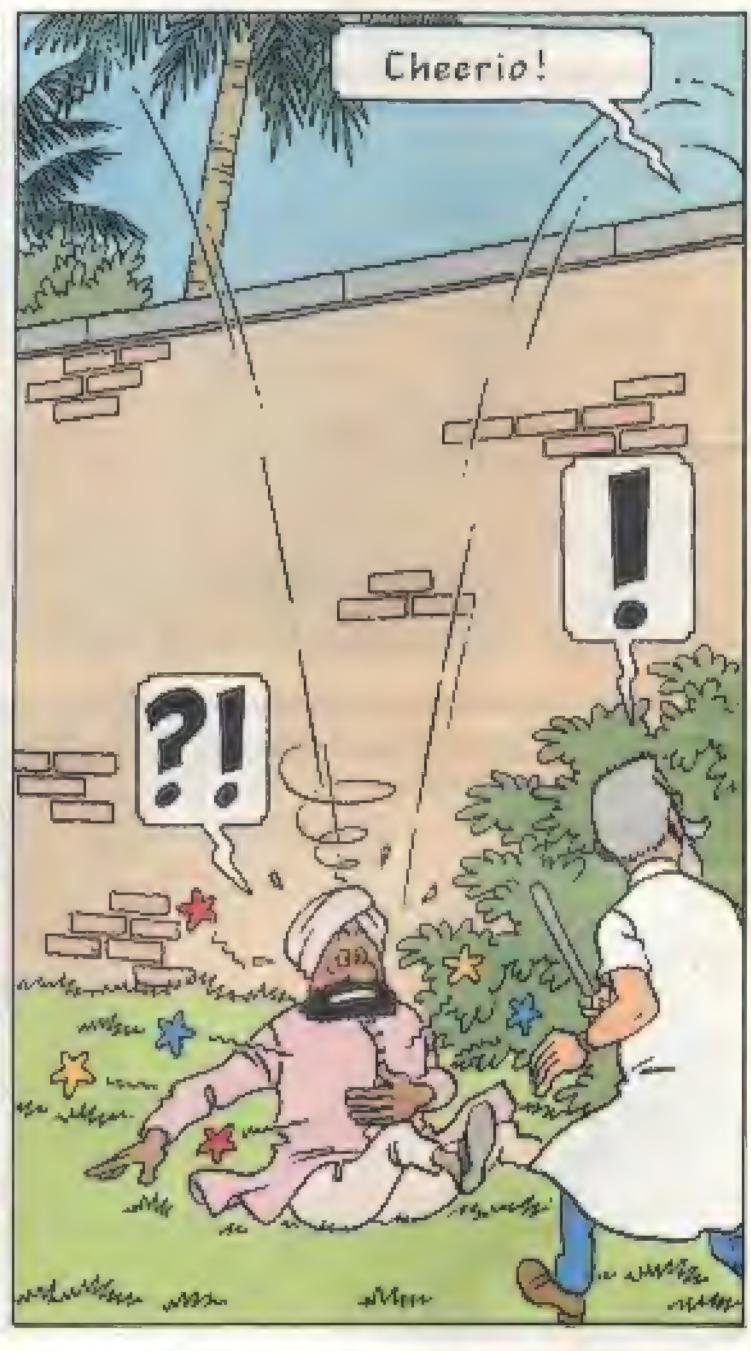


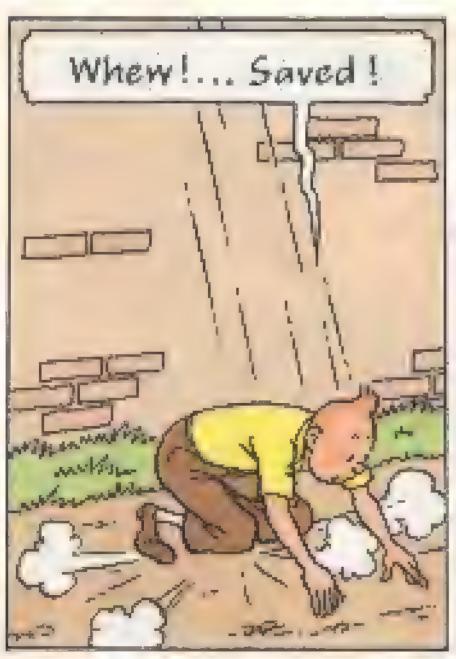


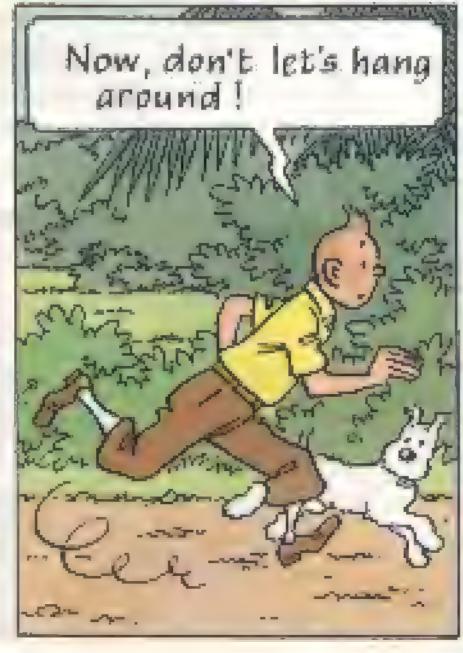


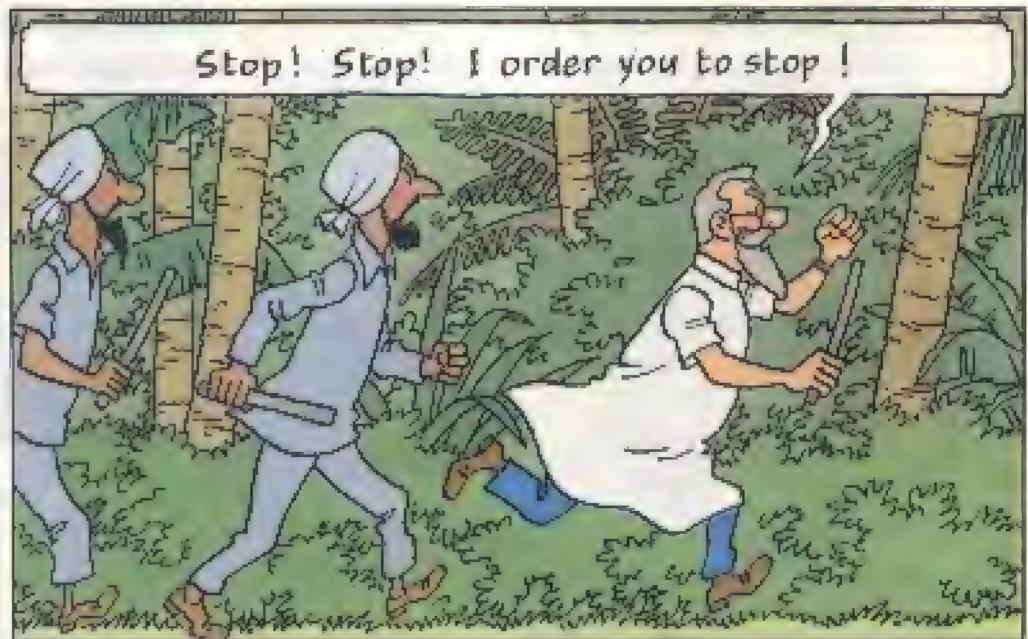




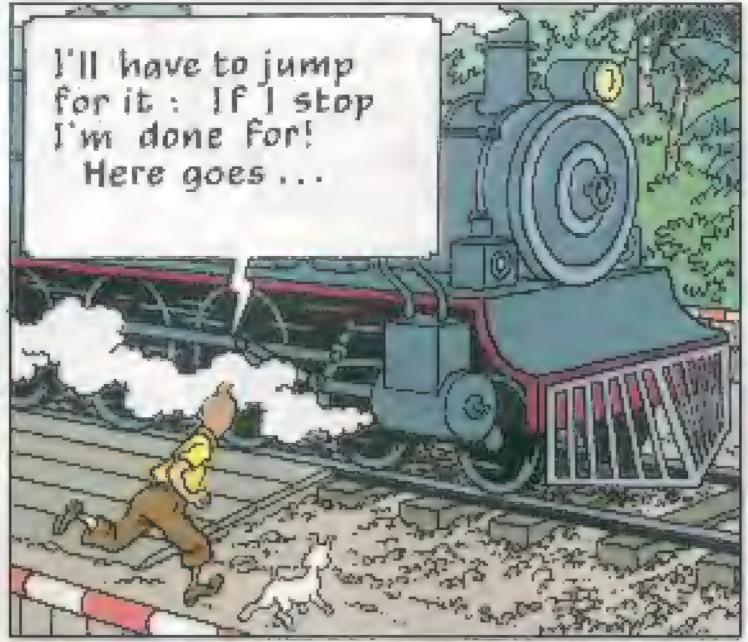




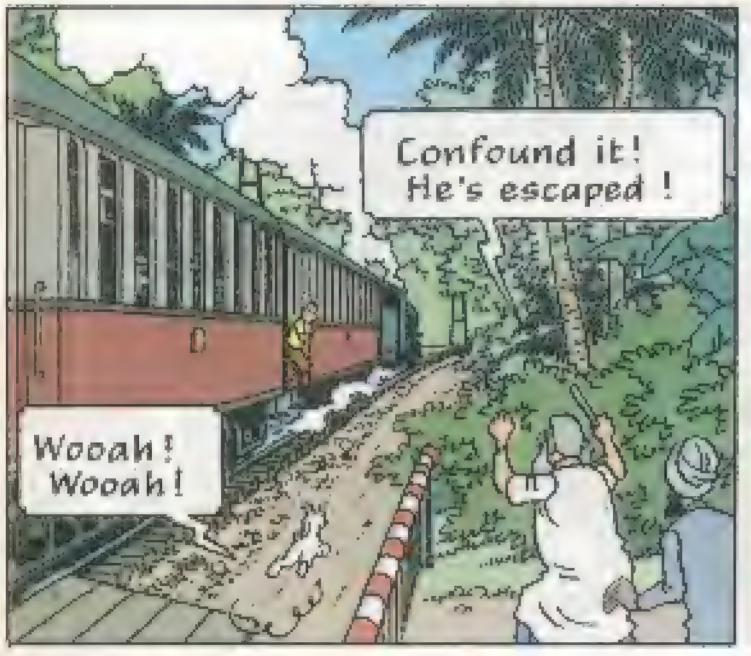






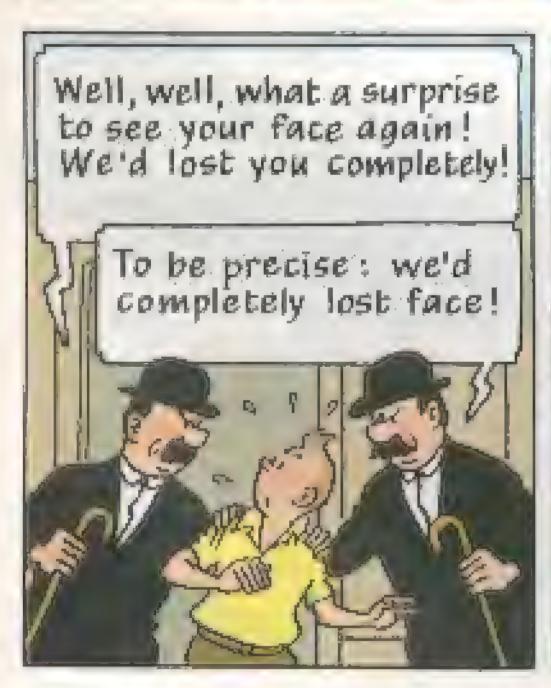












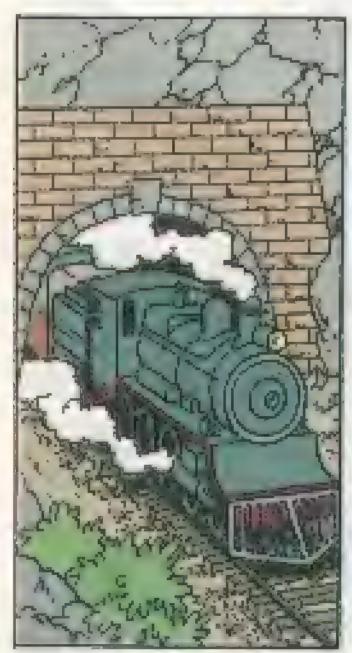


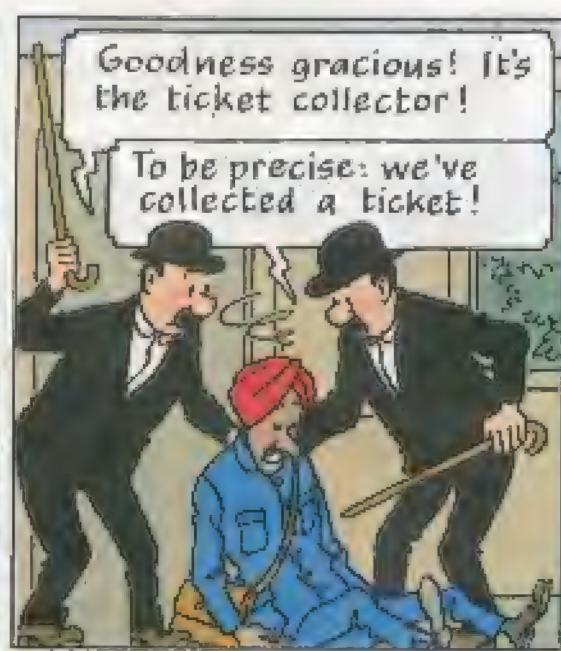


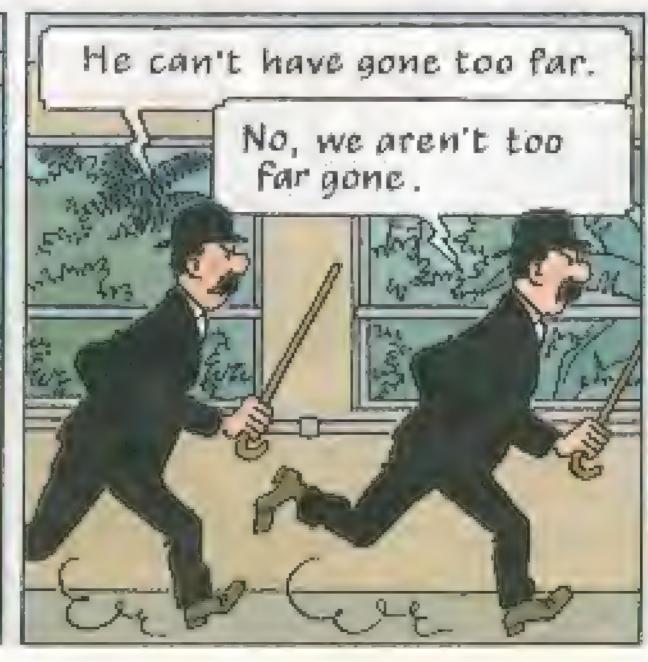


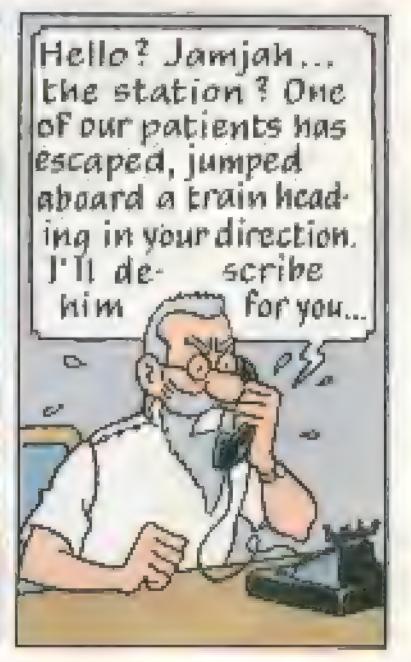


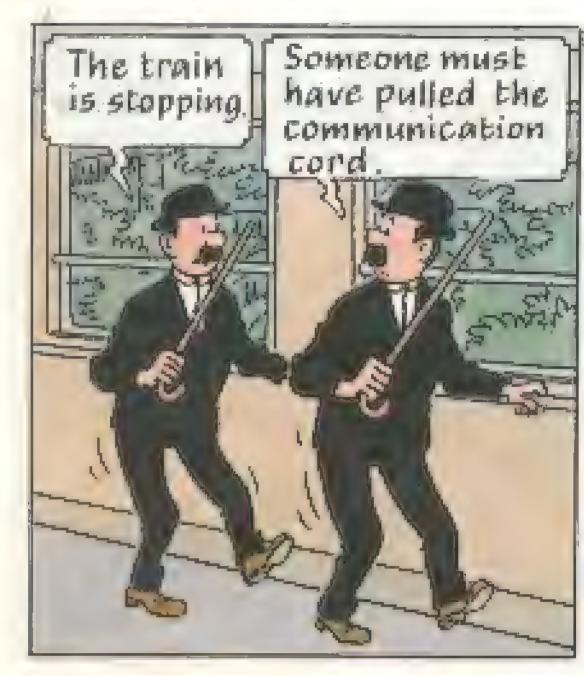


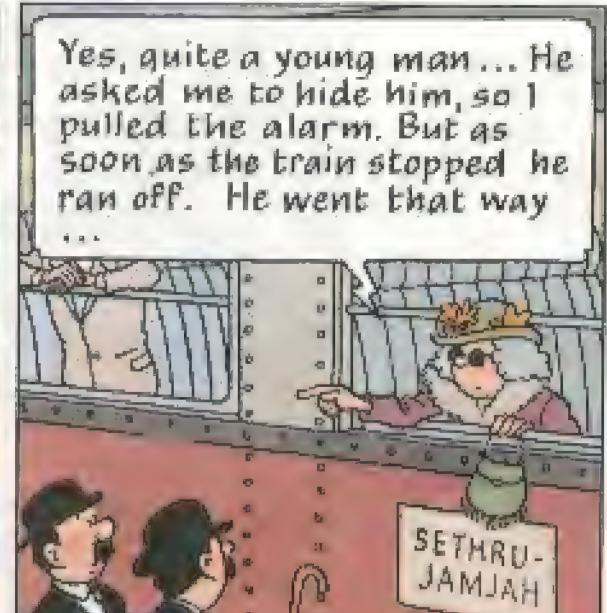


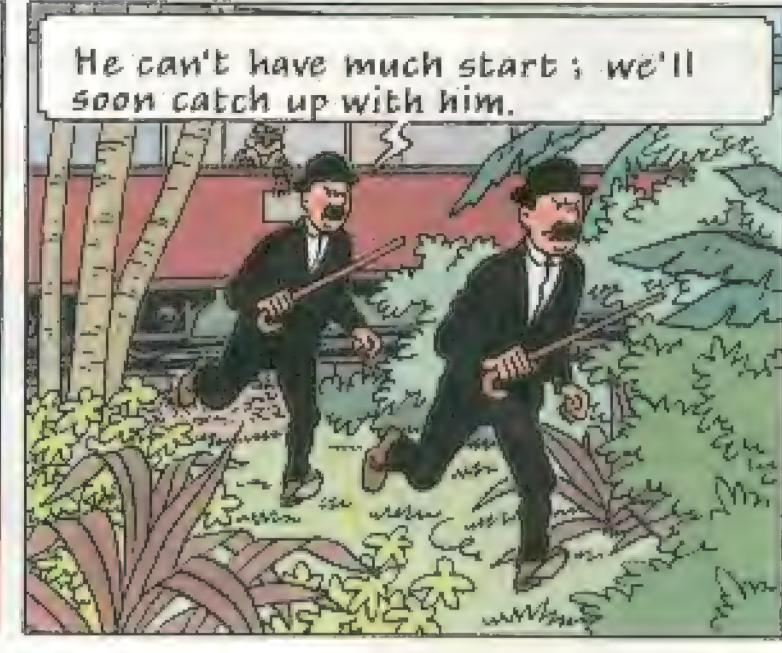








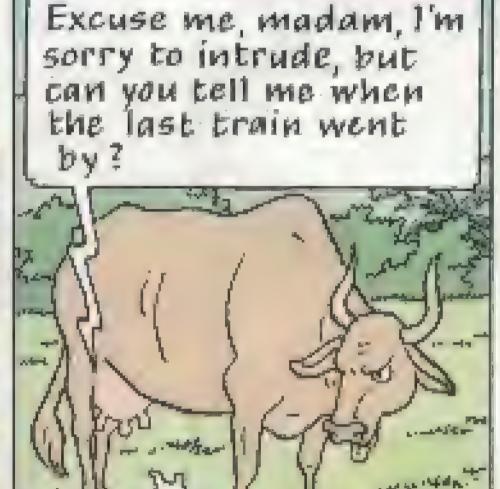


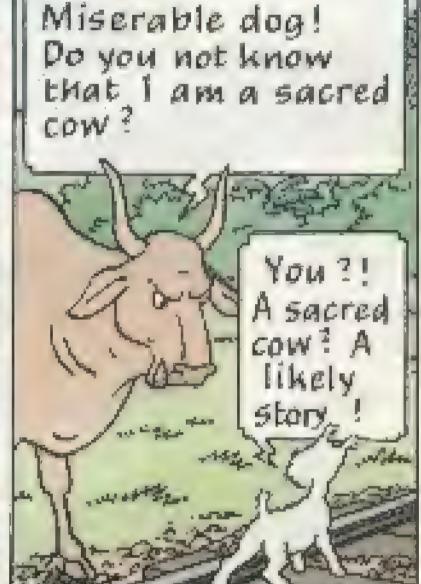


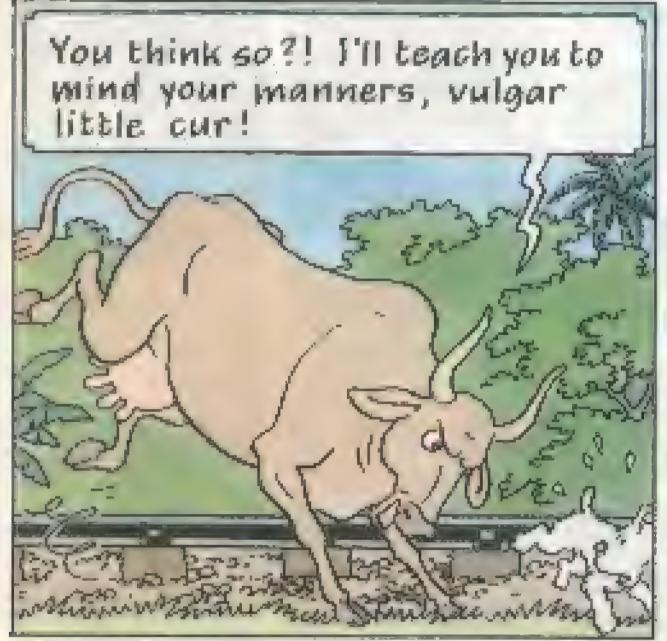




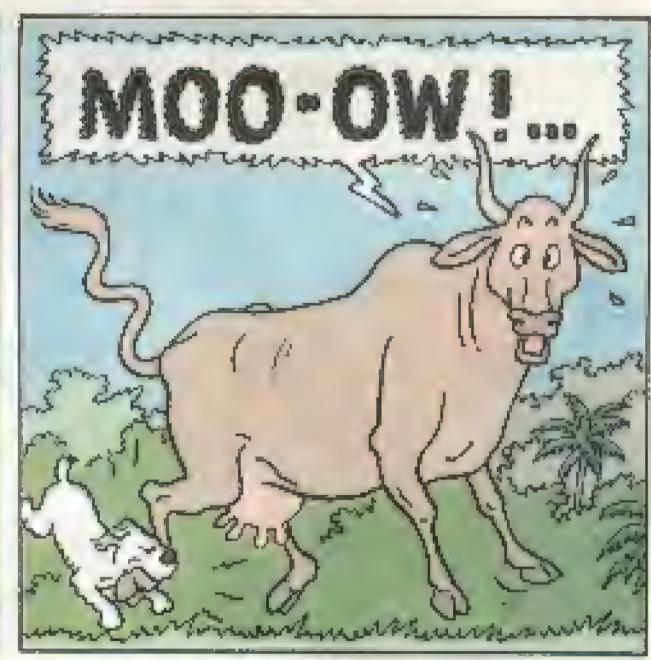






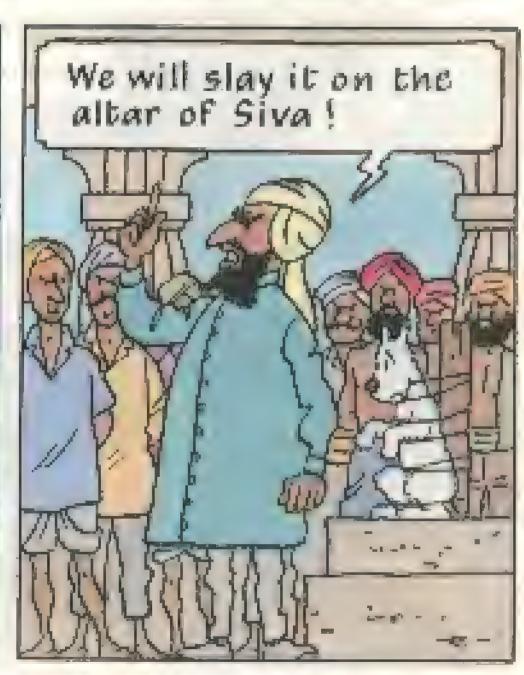


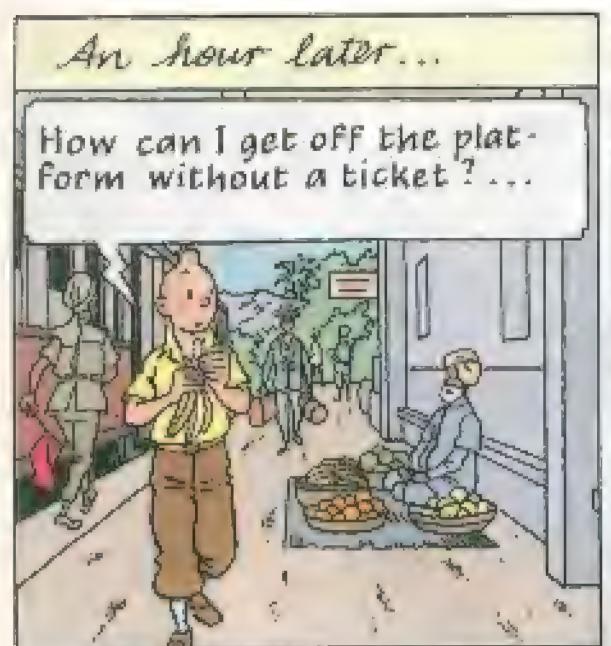


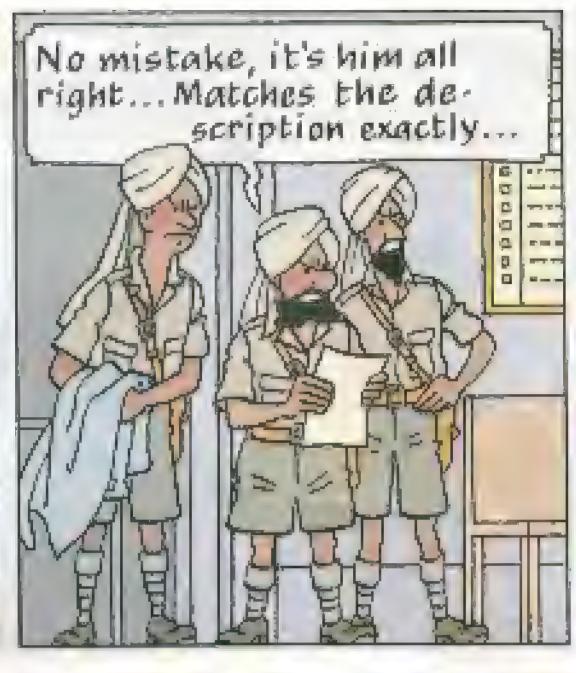






















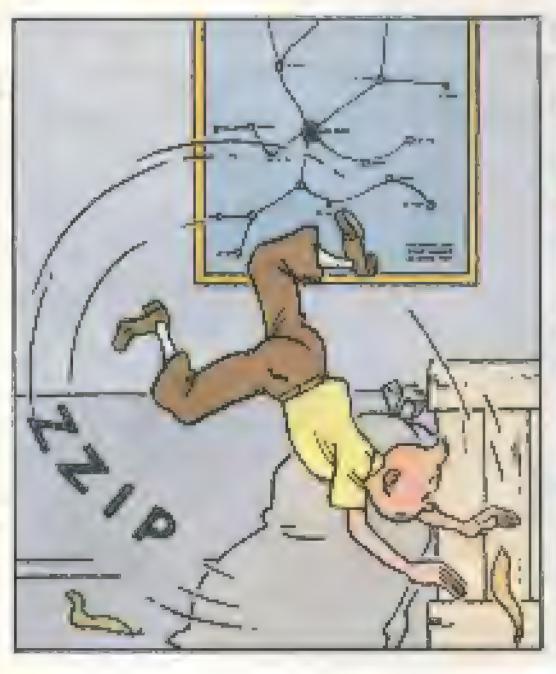


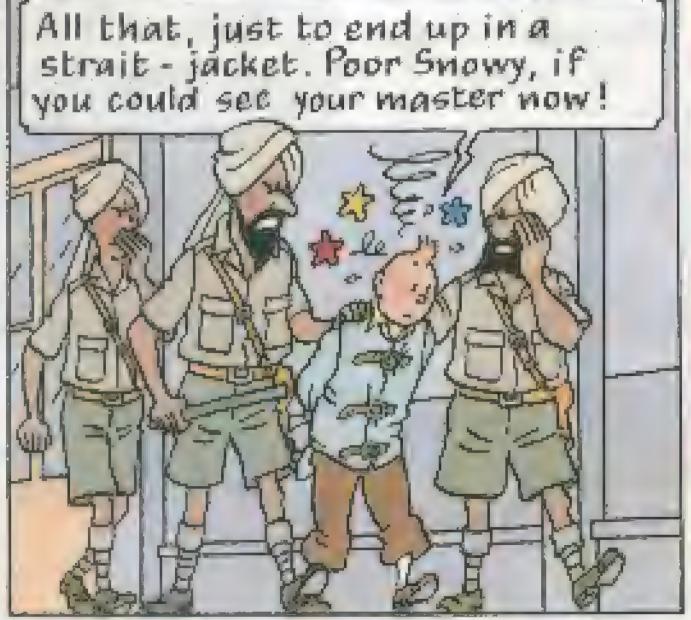








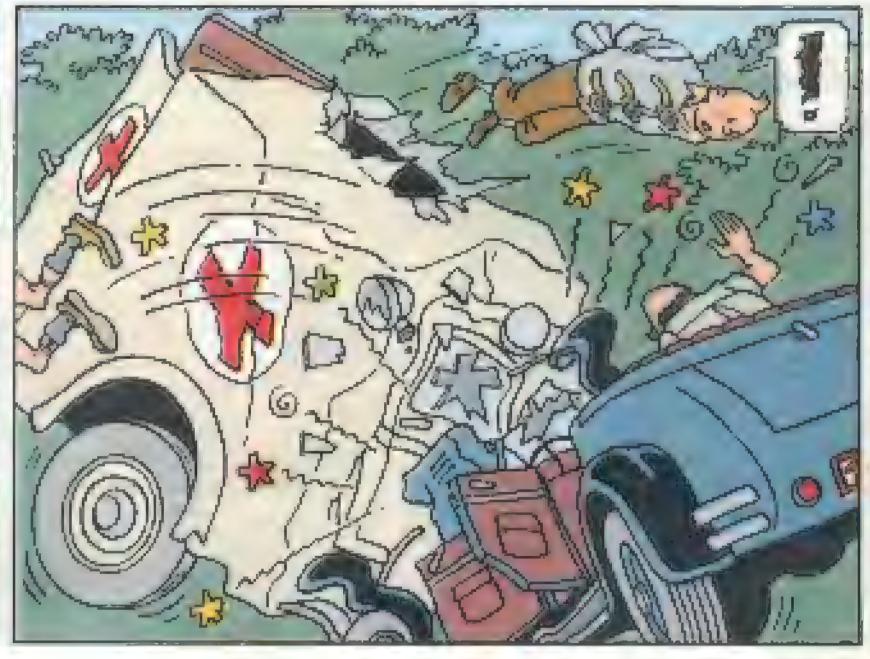




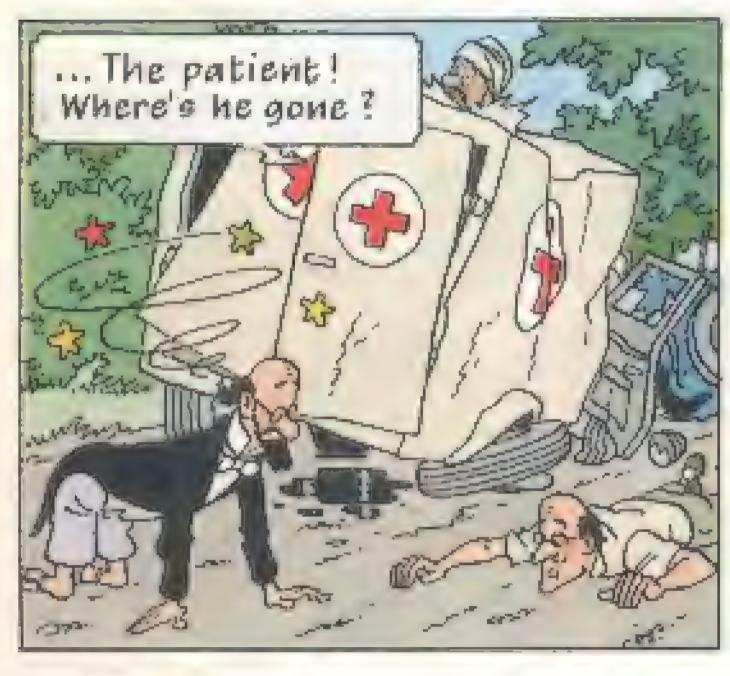




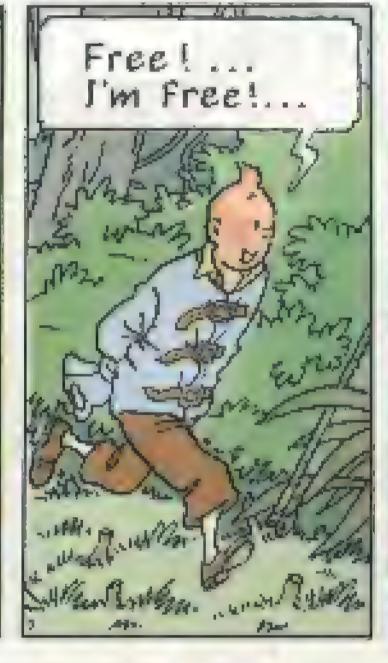














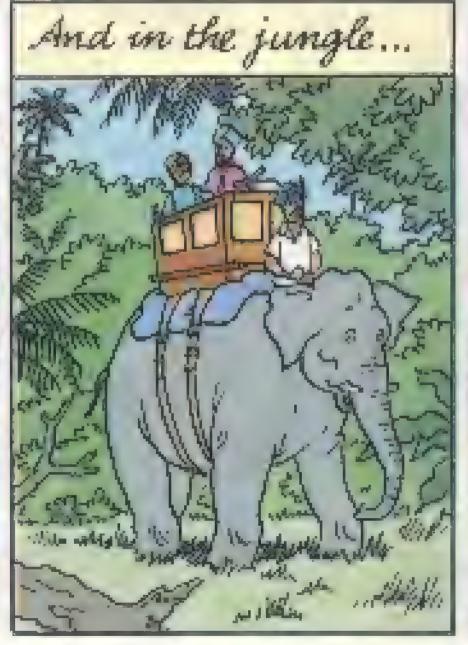




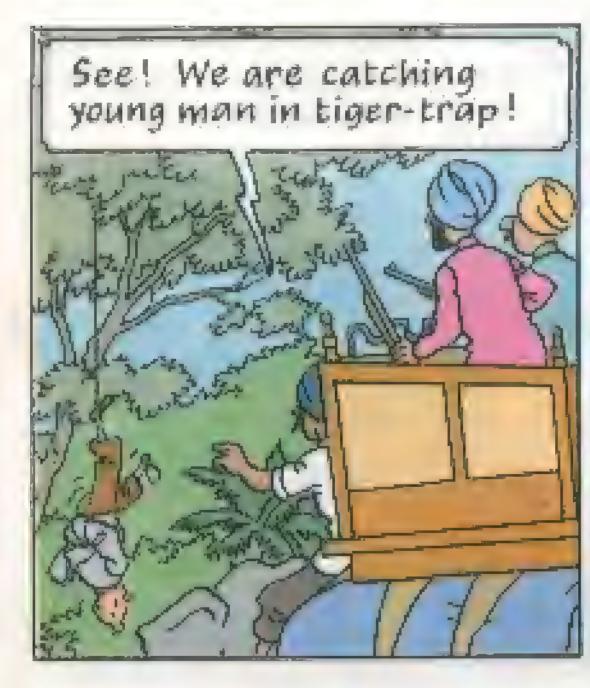




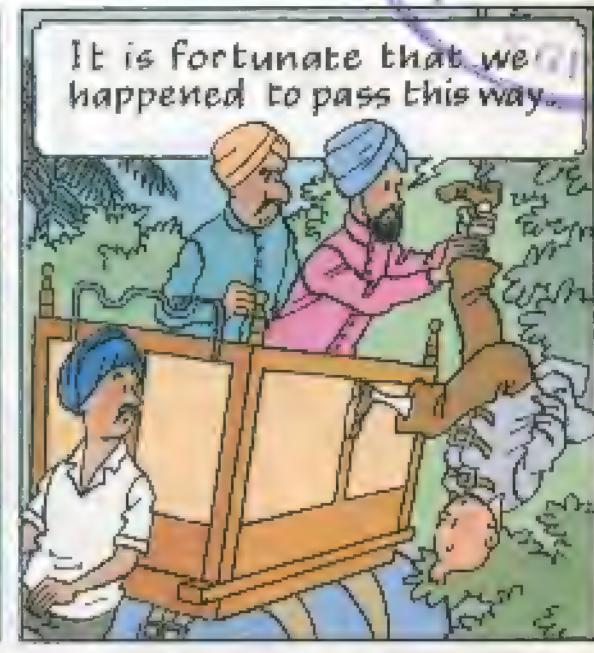


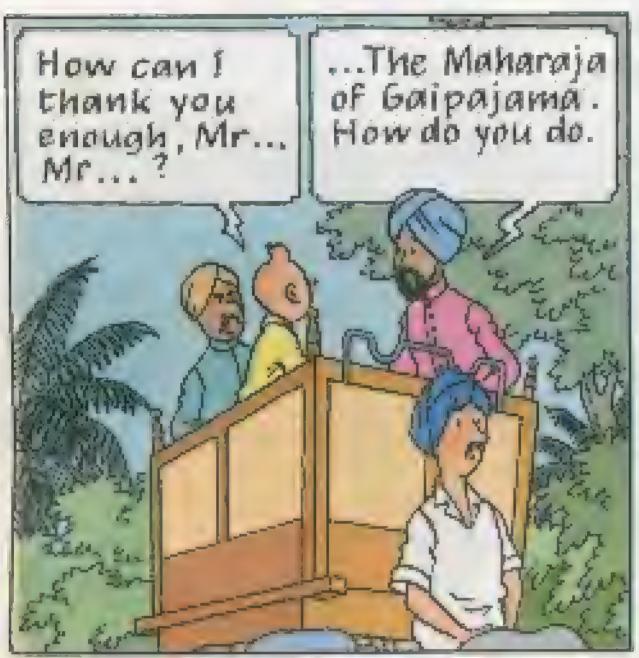


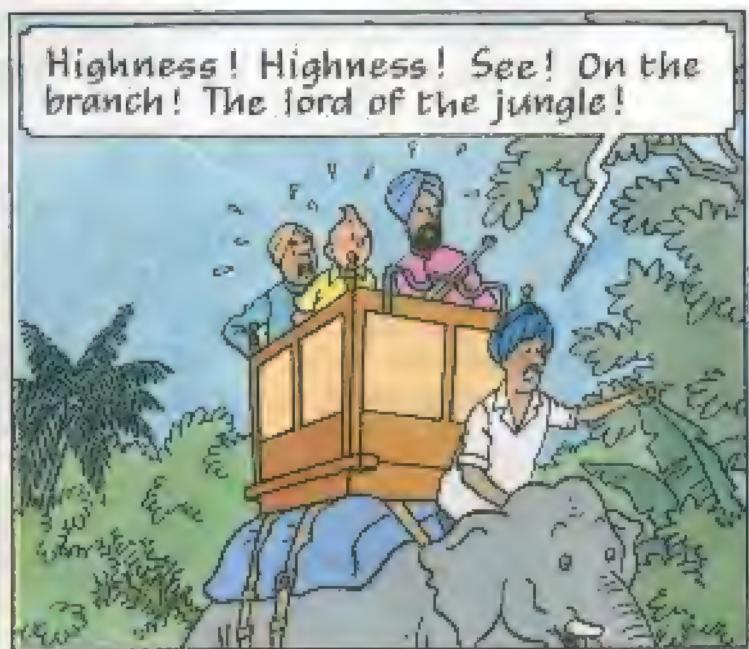






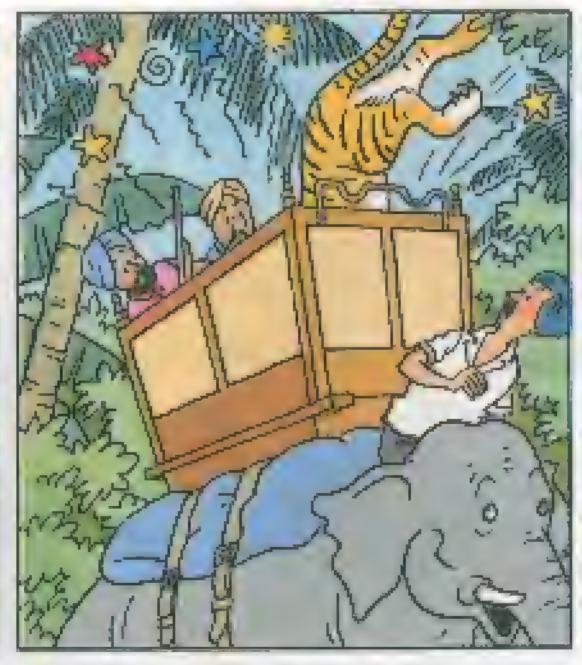


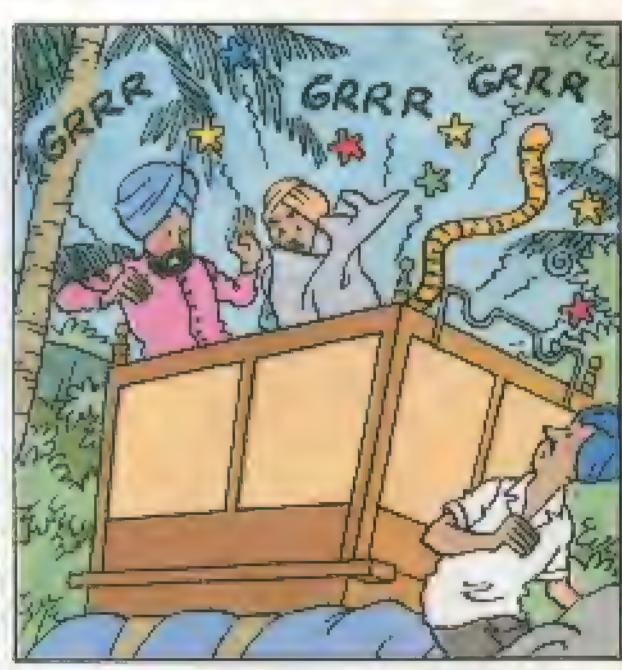


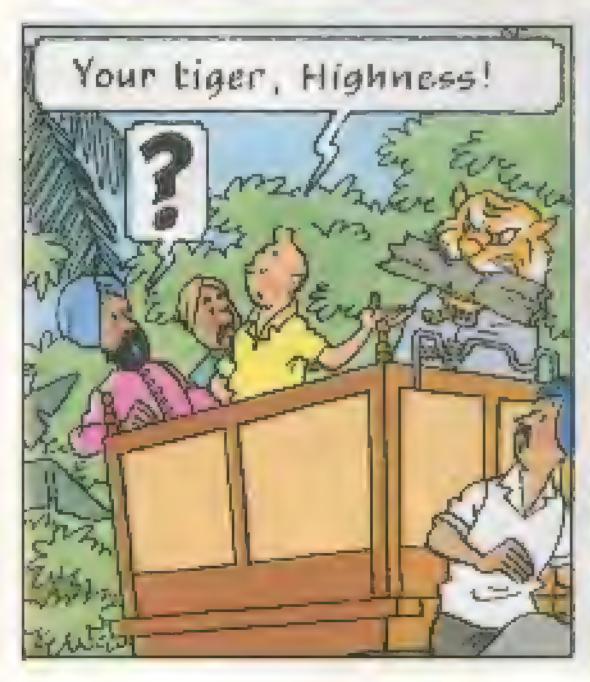


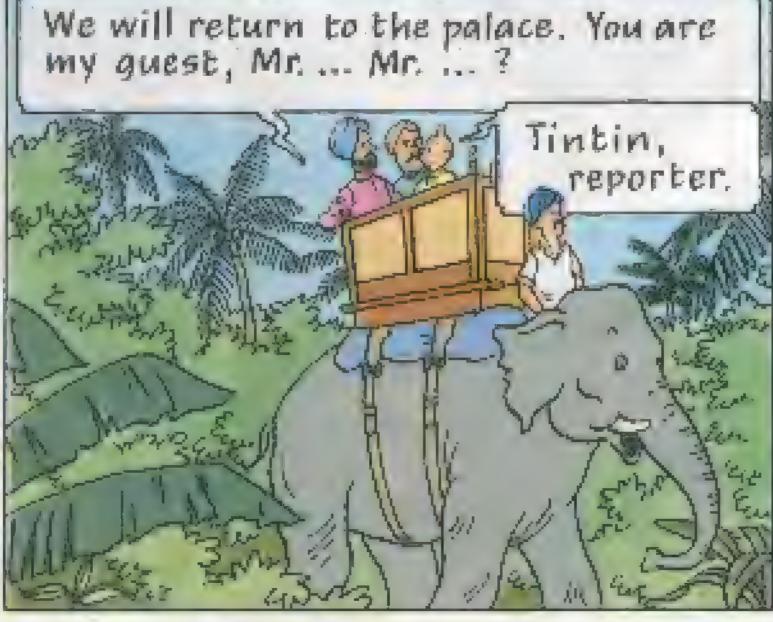


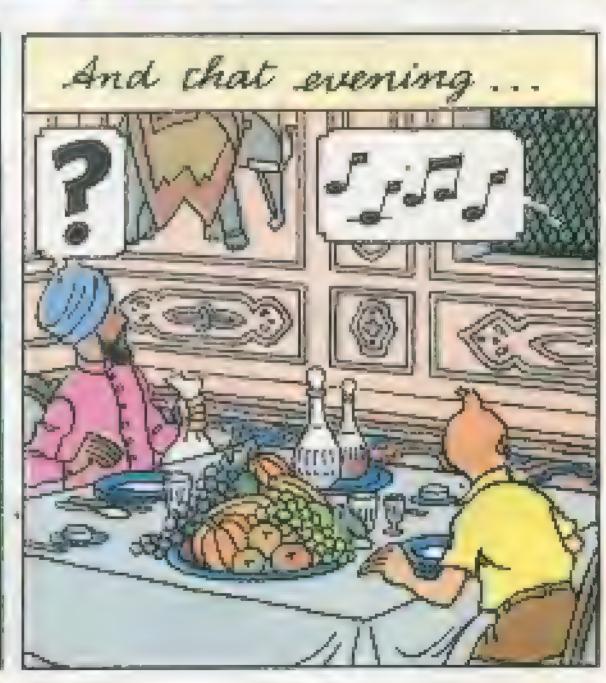
















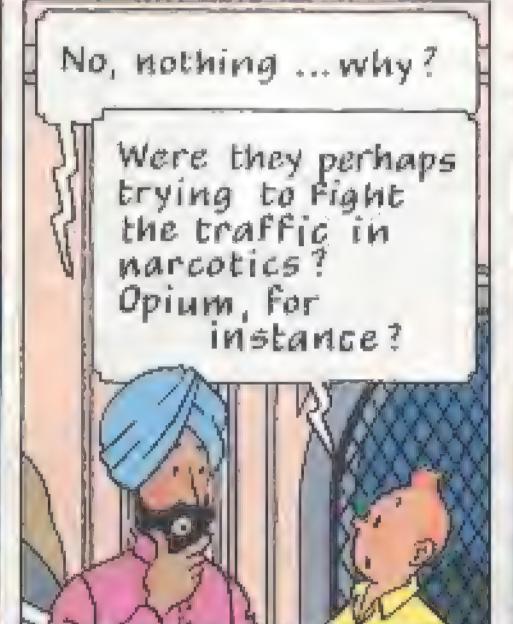
It's horrible... I must tell you... My father and my brother both went mad, one after the other. Each time, just before they became ill, the same unearthly music was heard outside the palace...





Maharaja, when your father and your brother went mad, was there any sign of a wound, a puncture, on the neck or arm?





Indeed they were.

And I am continuing their struggle. The poppy from which opium is made flourishes in this region. The drug traffickers terrorise my people. They force the peasants to grow poppies instead of food.

Yand purchase.

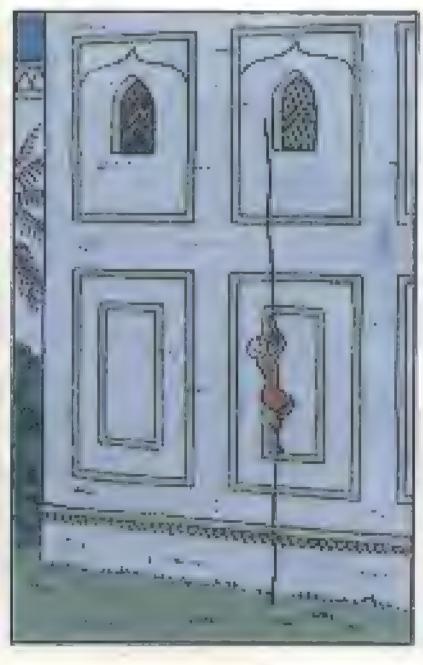
...the crop for a miserable sum. Then, when the unhappy people need the rice they should have grown for them selves, they have to buy it from the smugglers at exorbitant prices. I never stop fighting the devilish organisation.



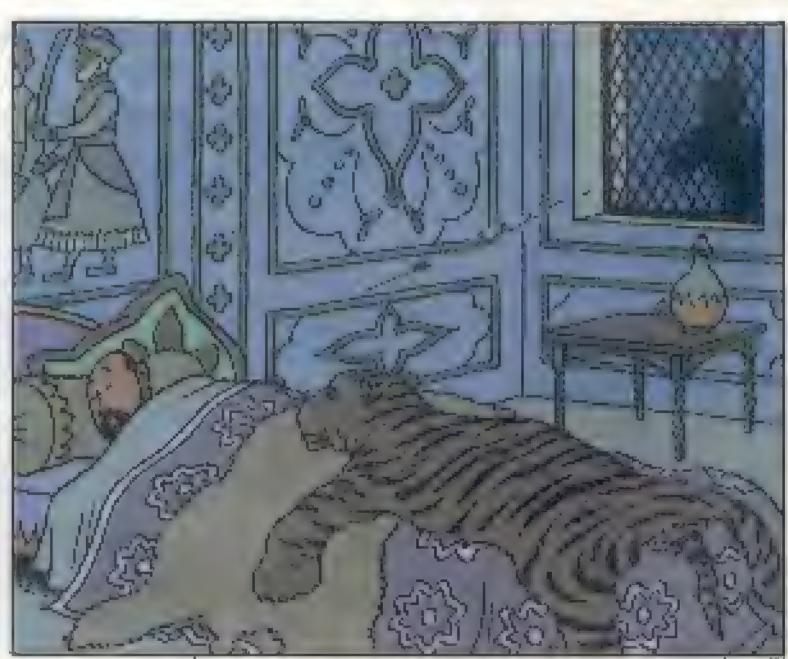






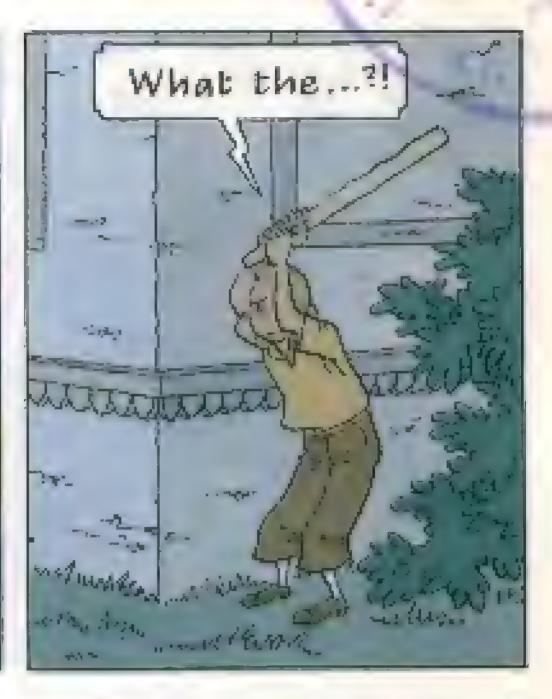














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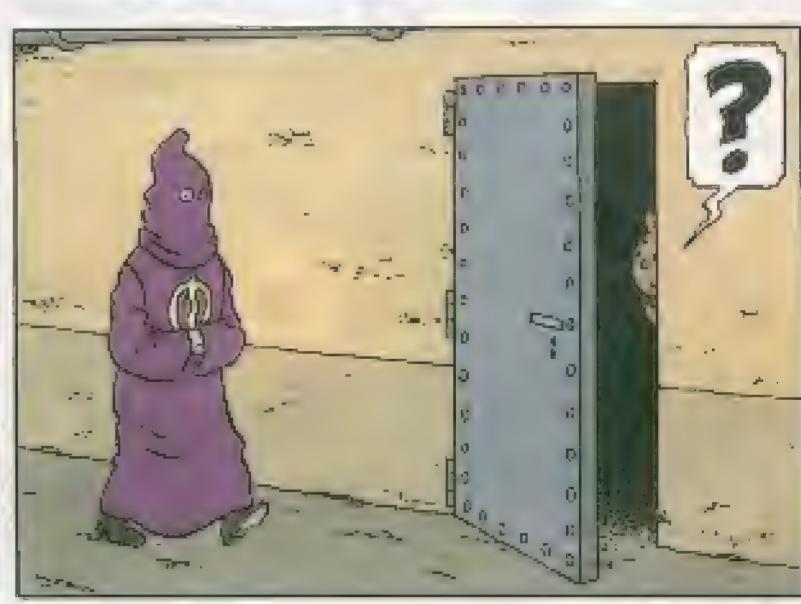


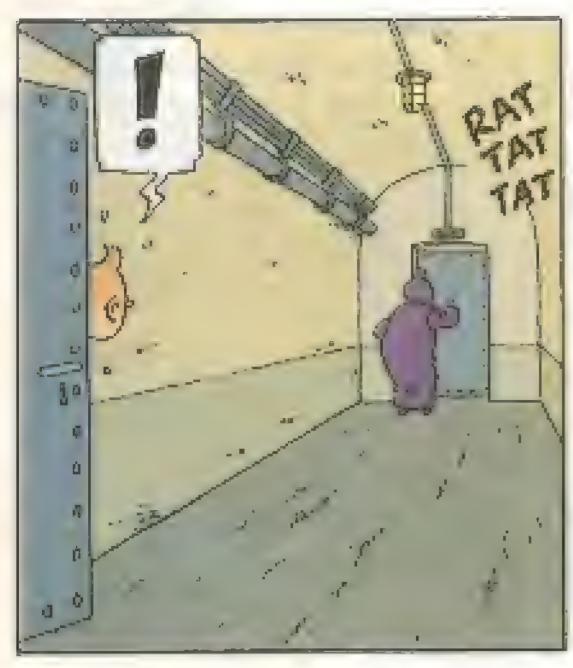






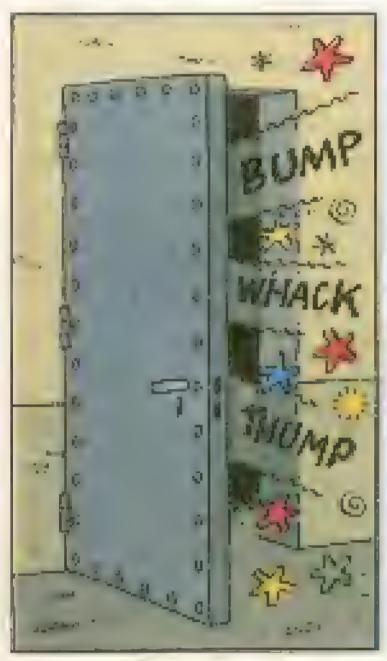






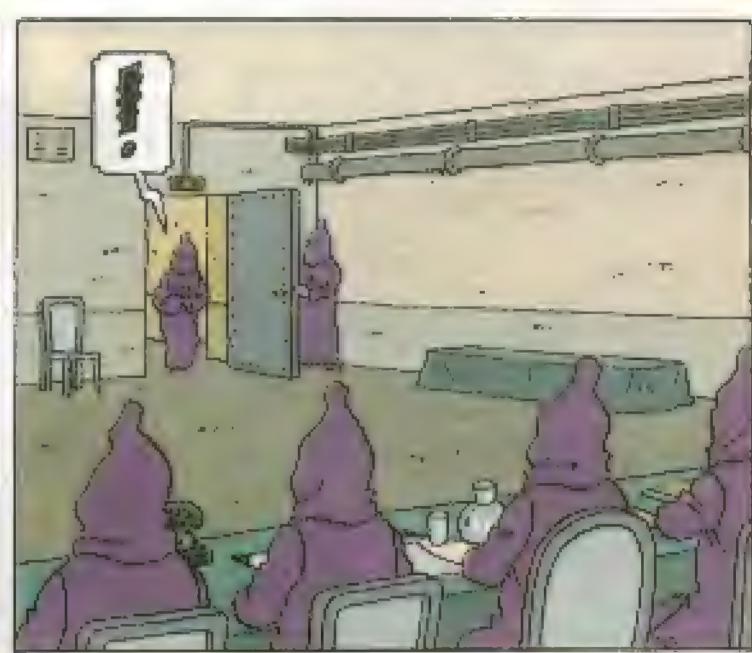












Brothers, with the exception of our leader, who is unable to come, we are all present. Our session may begin. Our brother from the West will speak first.



I have the best possible news for the Brotherhood: We are finally tid of the Maha raja of Gaipajama Even as I speak, he is going mad!





Hello?...Yes,
headquarters here
...A message from
Cairo?...What?!...
Hold the line a moment.



Brothers, things look black. Our Cairo hideout has been raided. Only our leader escaped. He's on his way here by air...



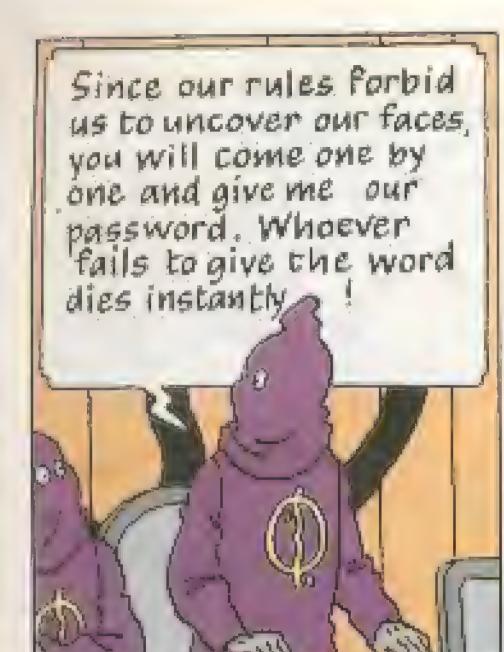
Hello?... What?...

Someone's just found what?... One of the brothers?!...

But... but there are seven of us here...

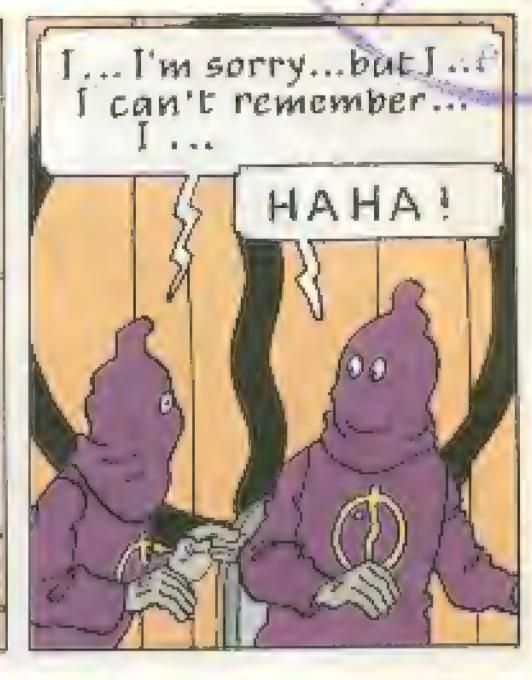


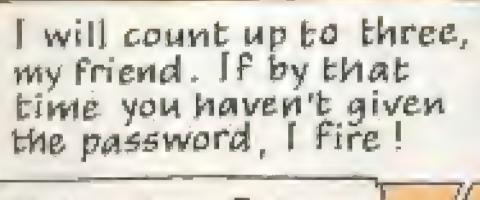
BROTHERS, WE HAVE A SPY IN OUR MIDST!

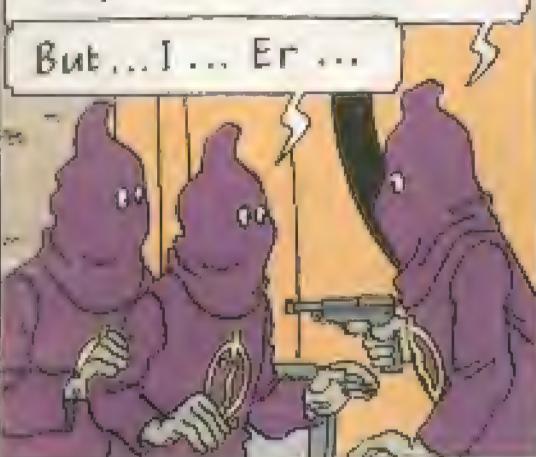






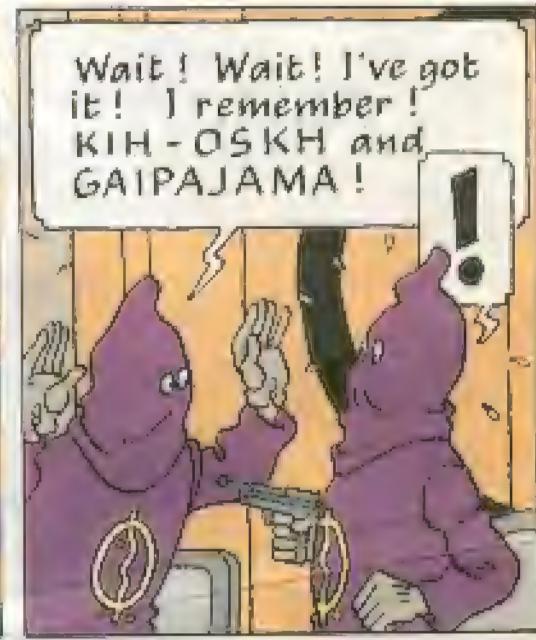






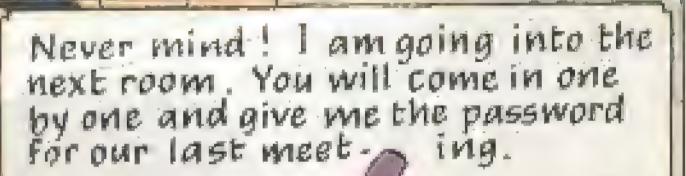






Stupid fool! You're sup-posed to whisper! Now everybody knows!











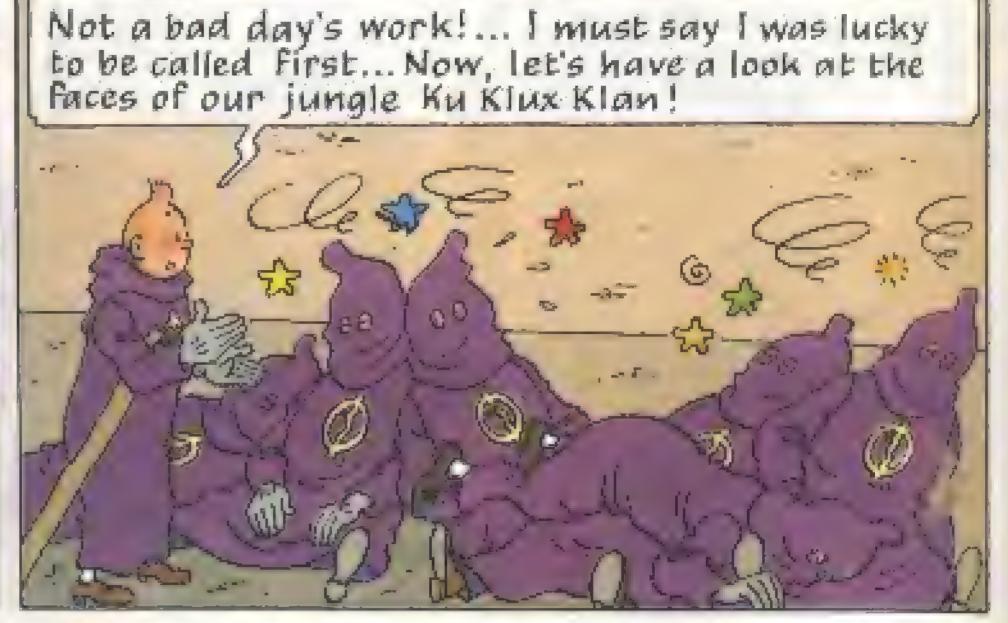
























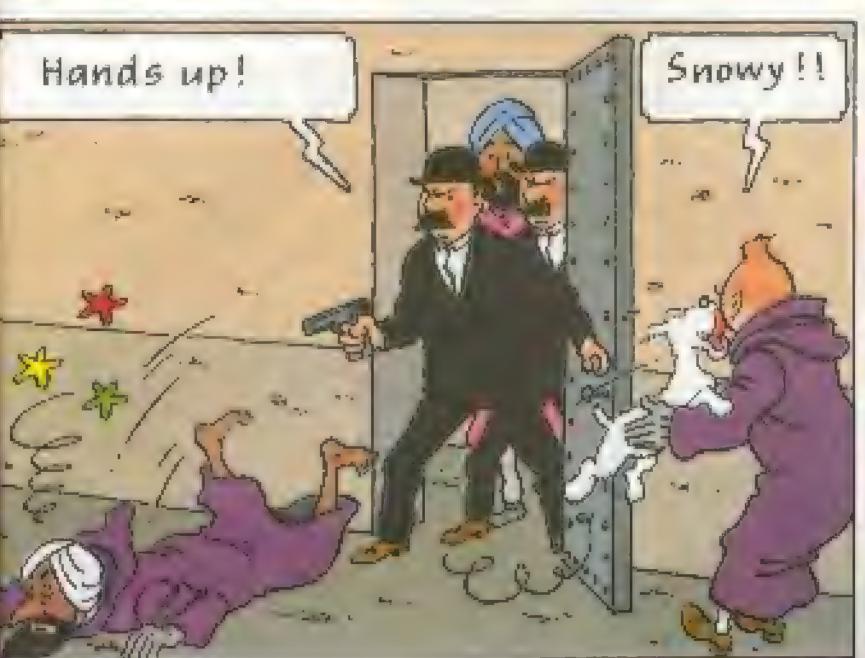


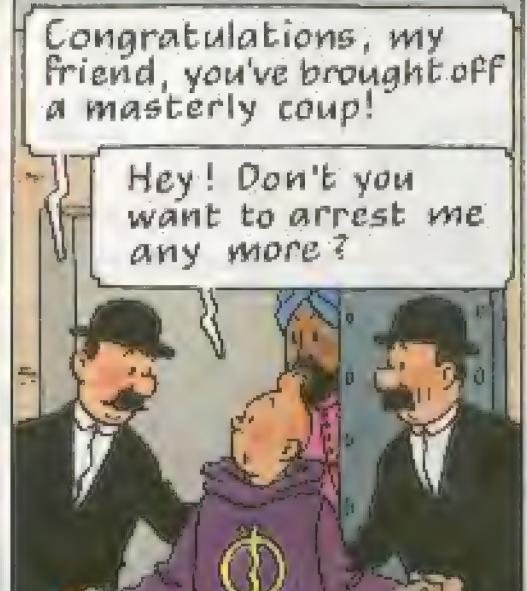














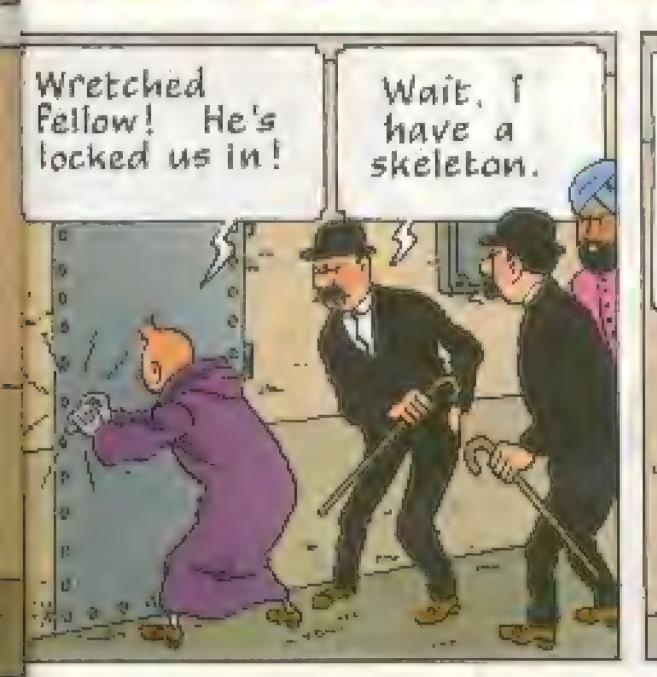
Among the papers they seized was a list of their enemies. It included you, and the Maharaja of Gaipajama. And there was a plan of this bolt-hole, too. We heard about it, so this is where we are.



As for me, Tintin, I owe you my life. The dummy you put in my bed was hit by the arrow...
the arrow intended for me.







By the time we get the door open he'll be miles away. No use chasing after him. We can pick him up later on. Let's go back to the palace, and send someone to look after the rest of the prisoners.

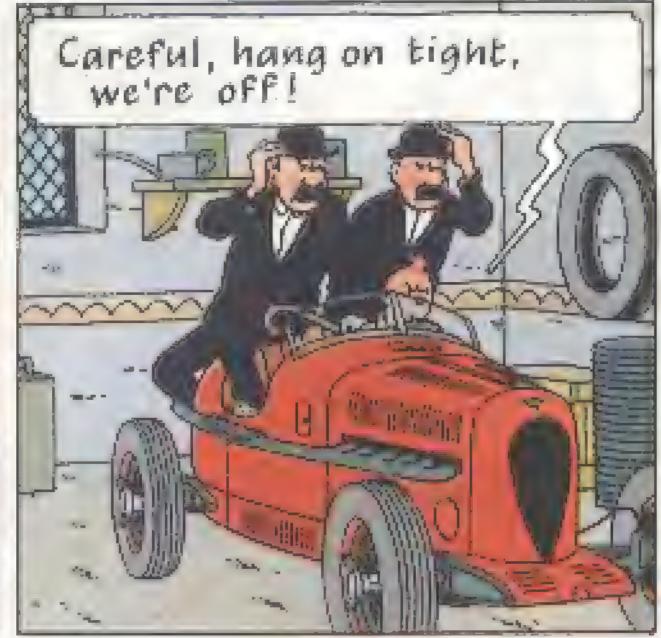


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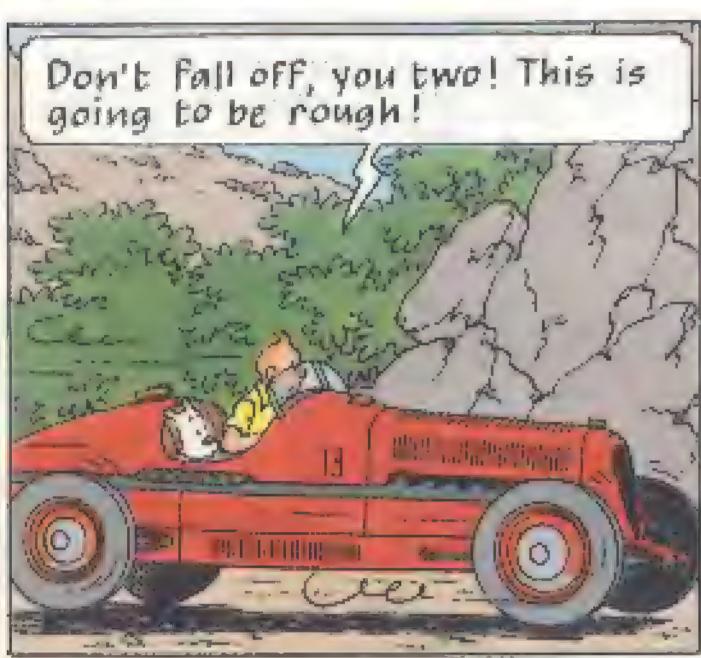
Highness! Highness! The crown prince, your son!
He's been kidnapped! Two men, they made off in a car...





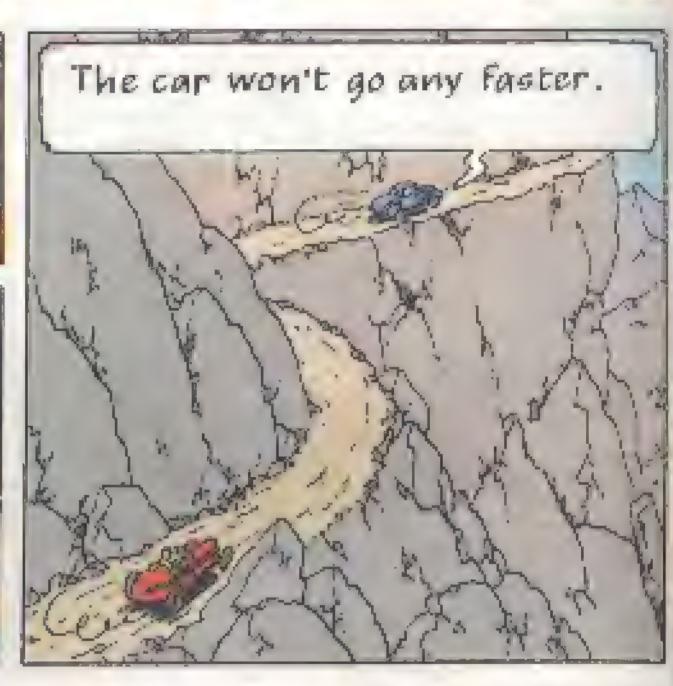


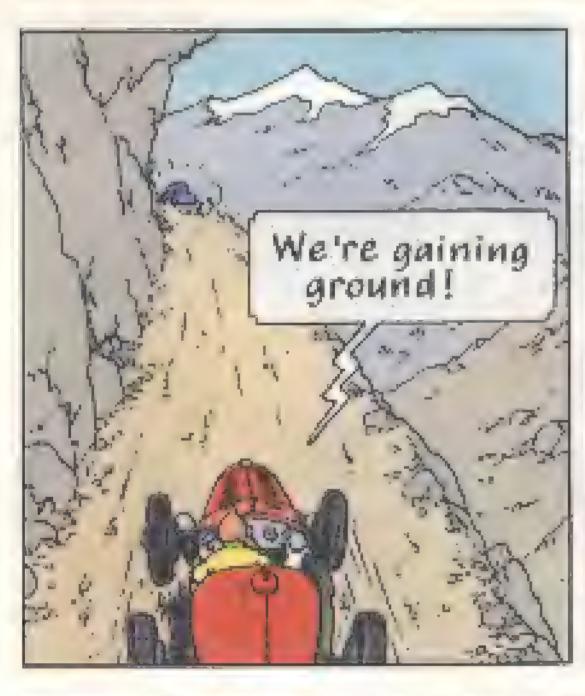








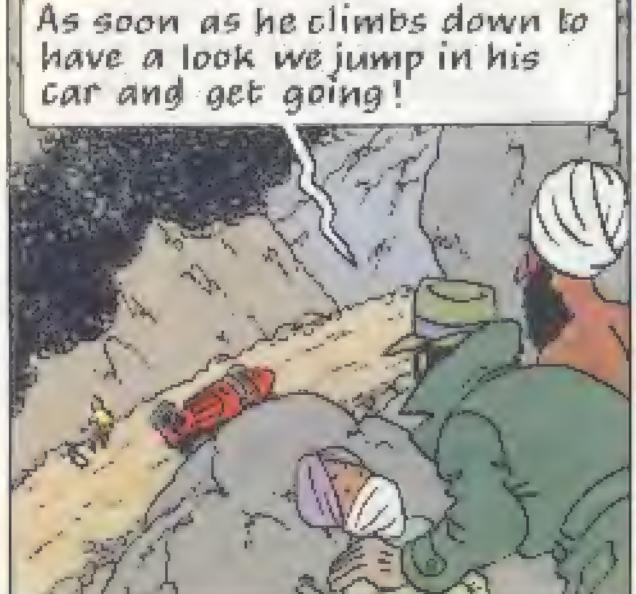












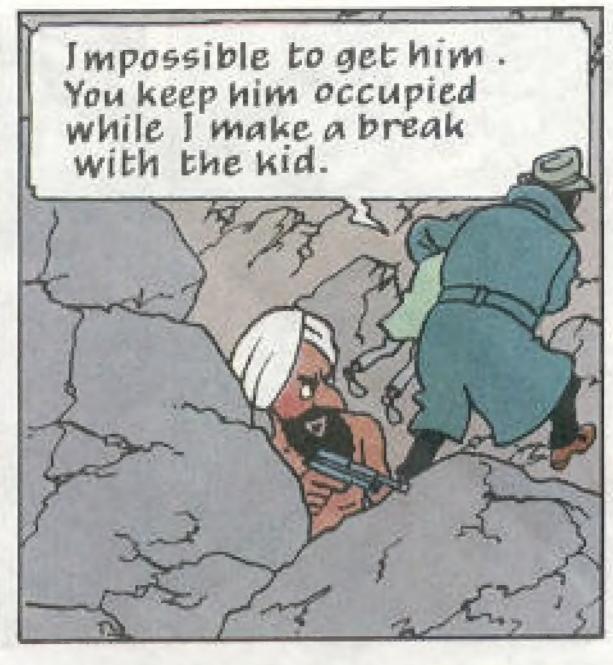




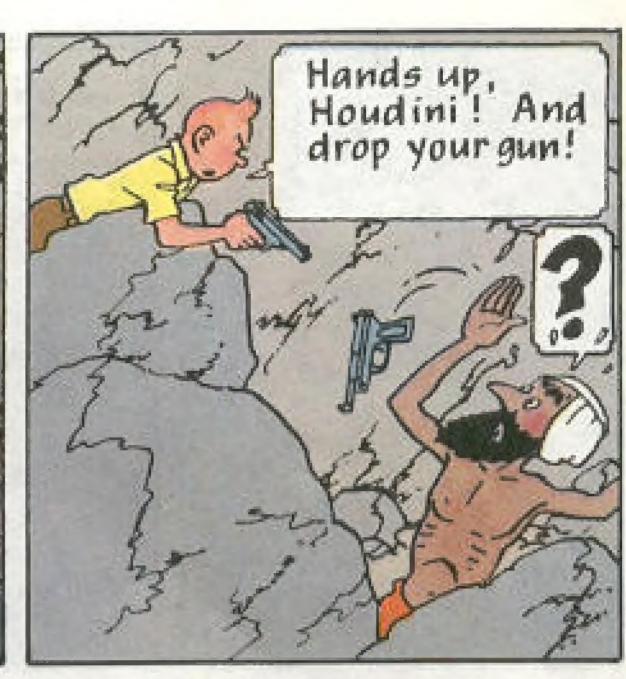
Lucifer! He isn't

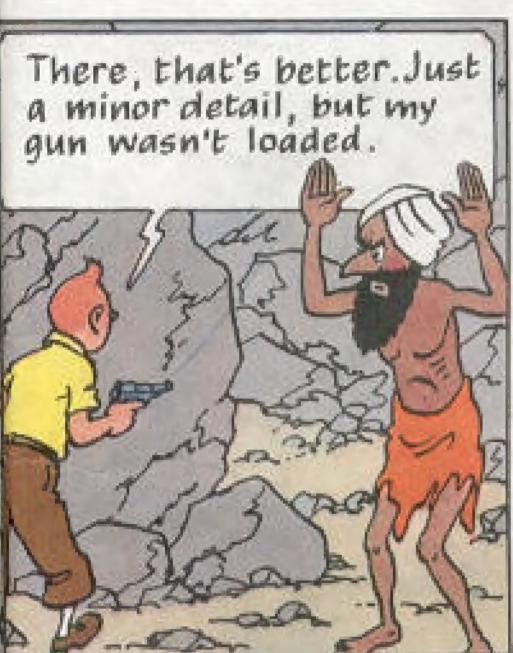


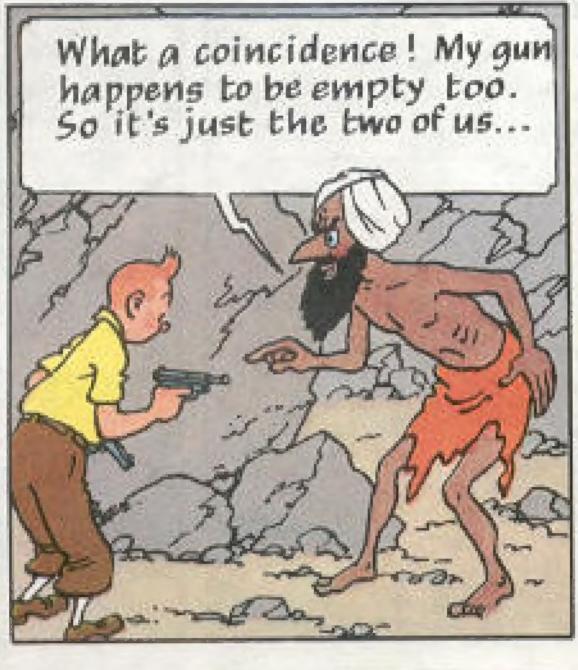




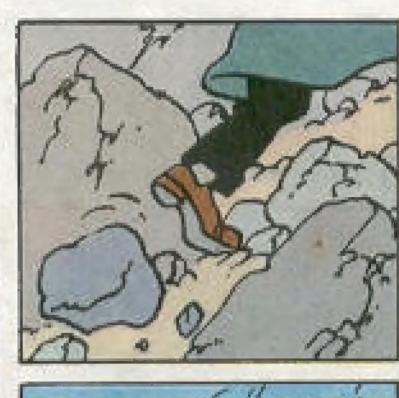




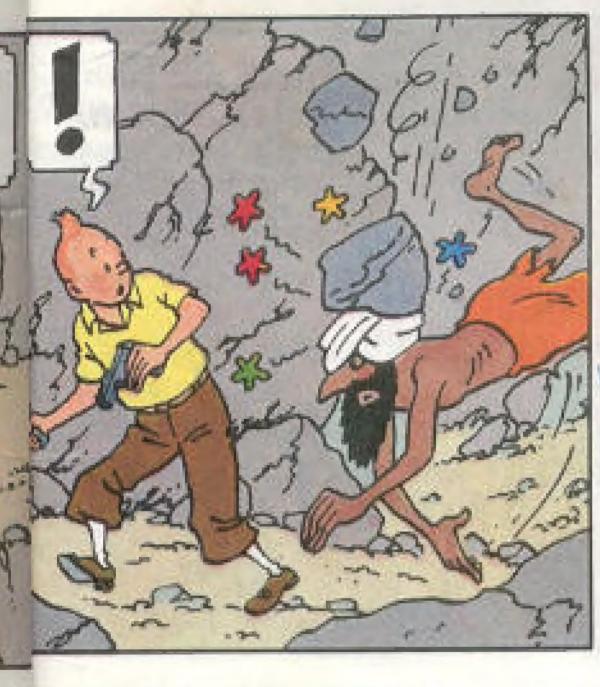




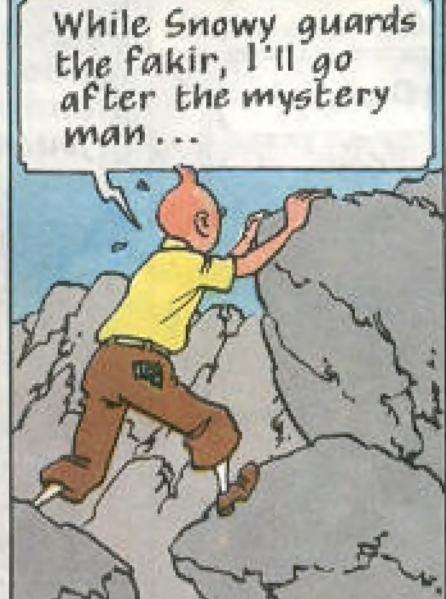








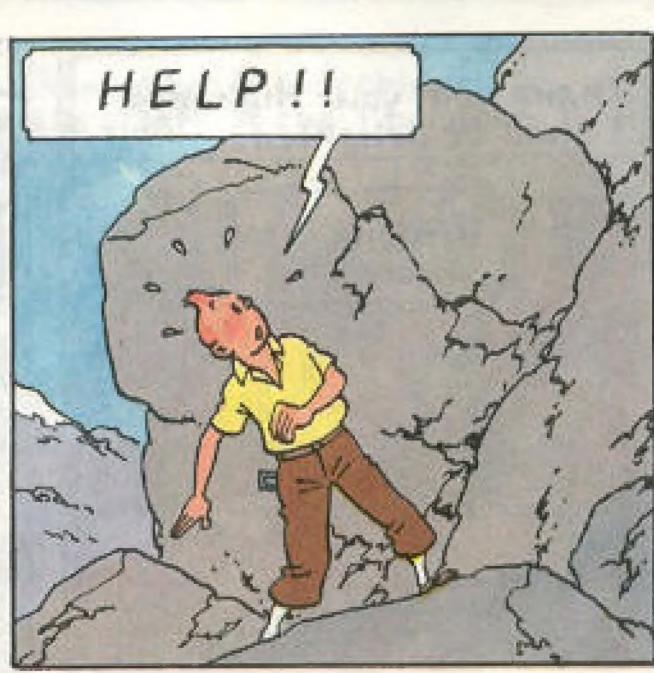
















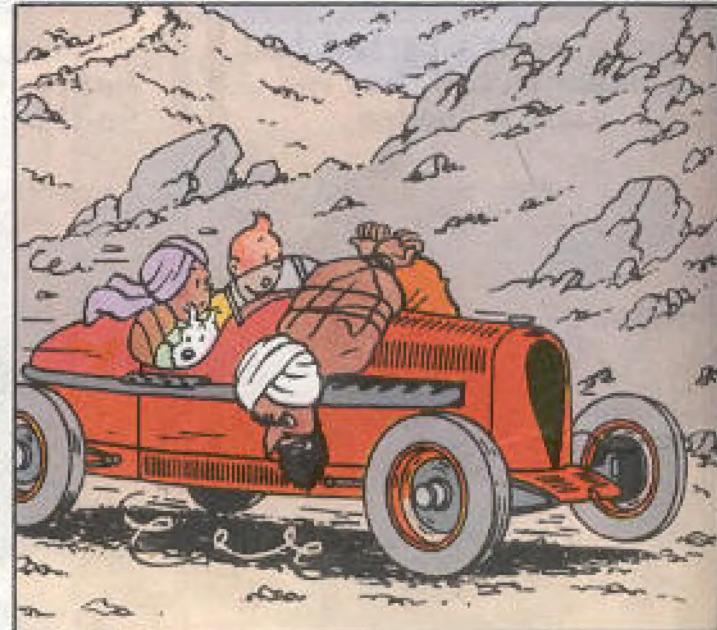




Poor wretch. Who was he? ... I wonder if we shall ever know...or has he taken his secret with him?

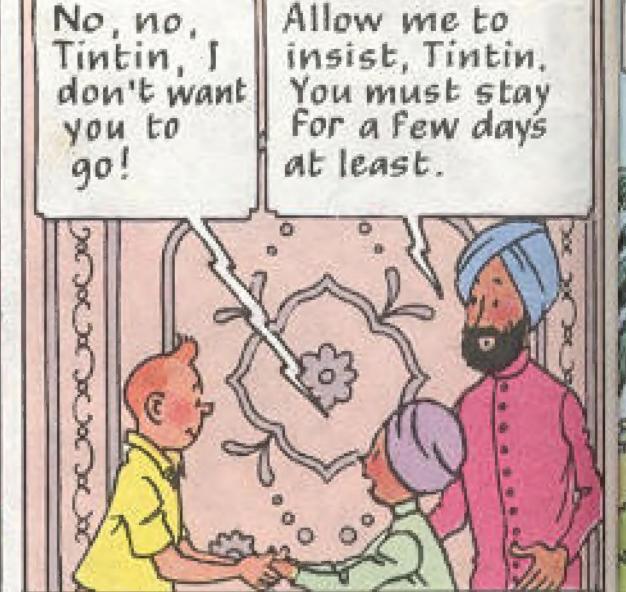












Thank you, your Highness. I shall be delighted. Hip hip hooray!

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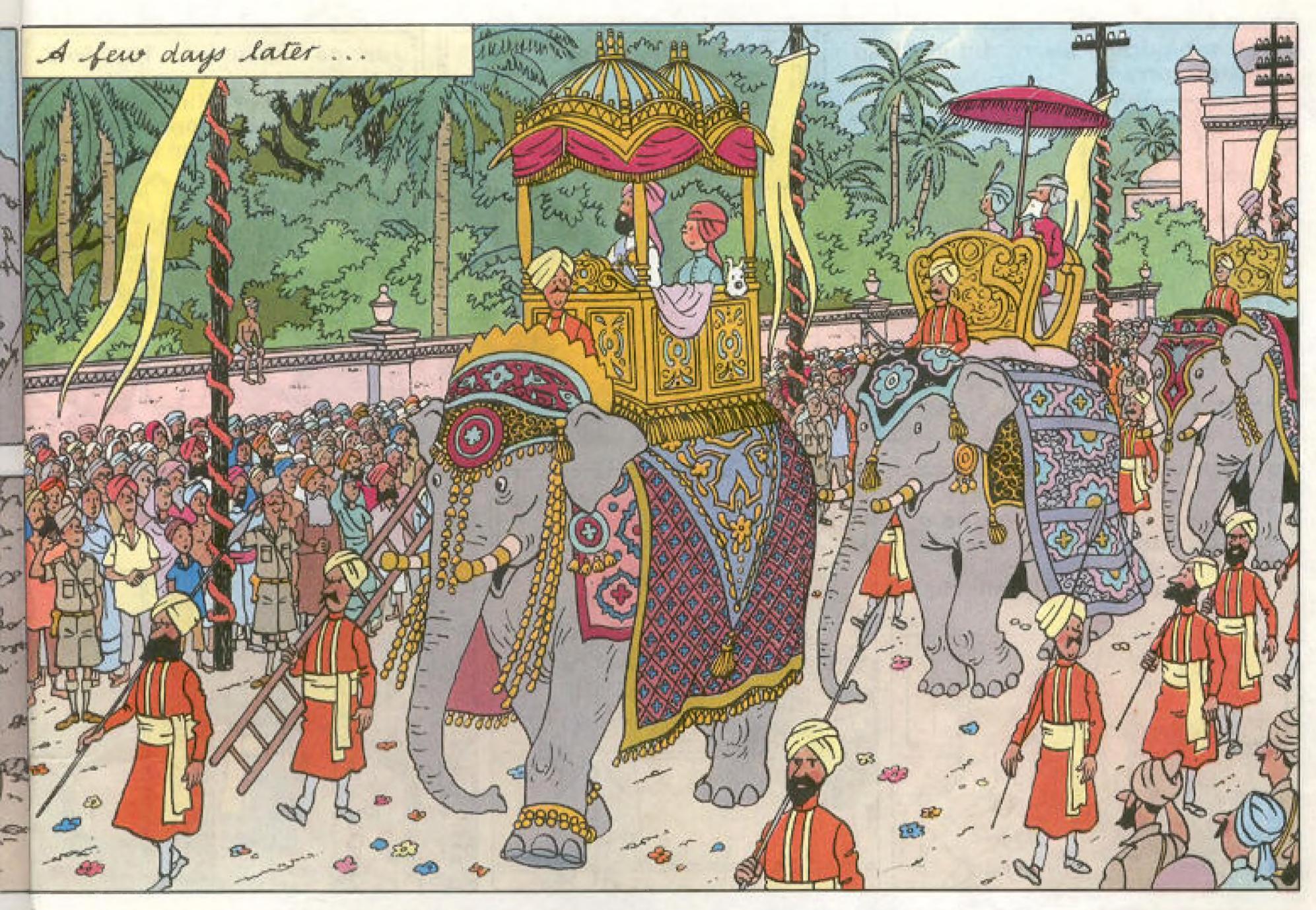
AIRO, Monday ion grows here e fate of millionaire agnate Rastaos, reported missing ay from his desert imp. No news has eceived since his unned departure in his plane for an unn destination. Search s have been operating dawn in desert areas e west.

TOHE MOON

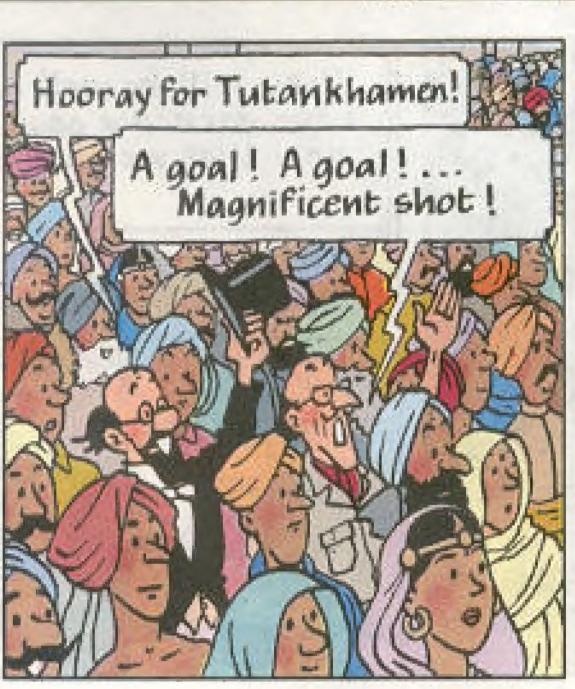
ROYAL HOSTAGE FREED

Reporter Tintin cracked the final link in an international drug-smuggling chain, and following a dramatic mountain chase the boy Crown Prince of Gaipajama, held hostage by the gang leader, was freed. The narcotics boss, whose identity is still a mystery, plunged to his death down a precipice.

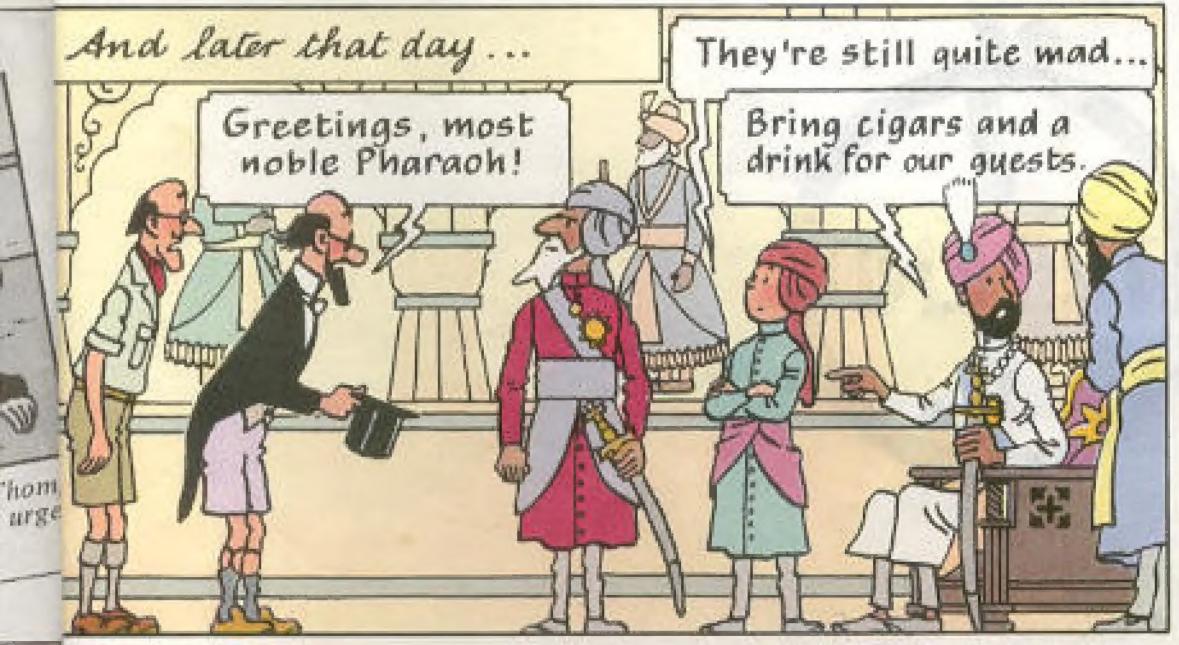


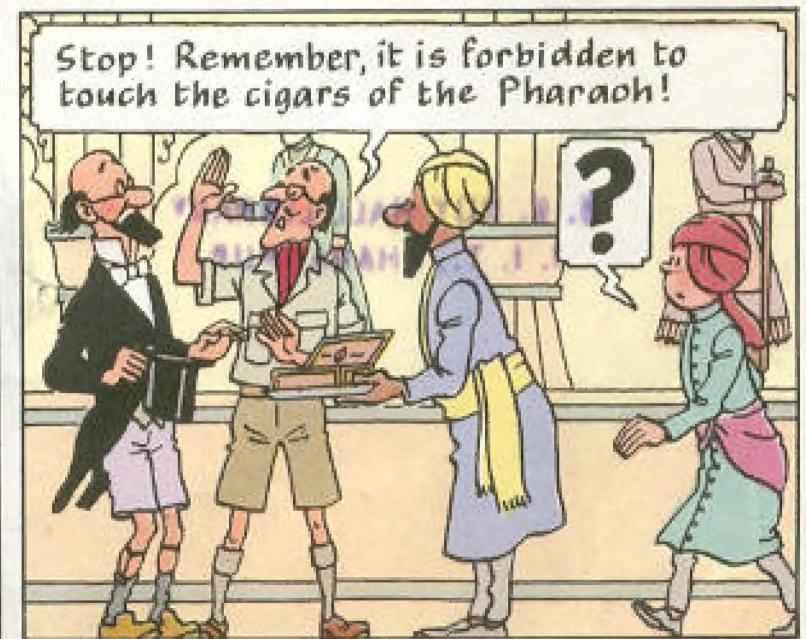














They belonged to the Maharaja's former secretary. I knew he kept these hidden away. So when I couldn't find any of our usual brand, I brought these.



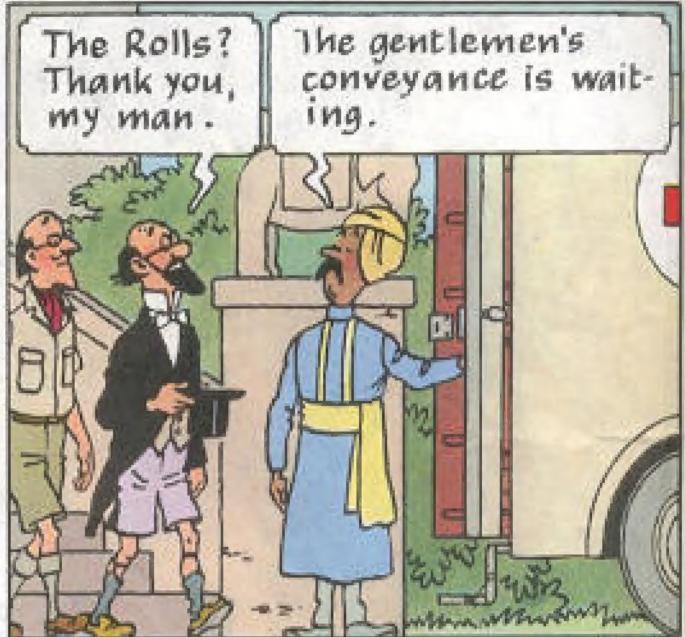
Just as I thought...The identical cigars! We found them in the tomb of Kih-Oskh...
And the Arab colonel had some. Now let me see...

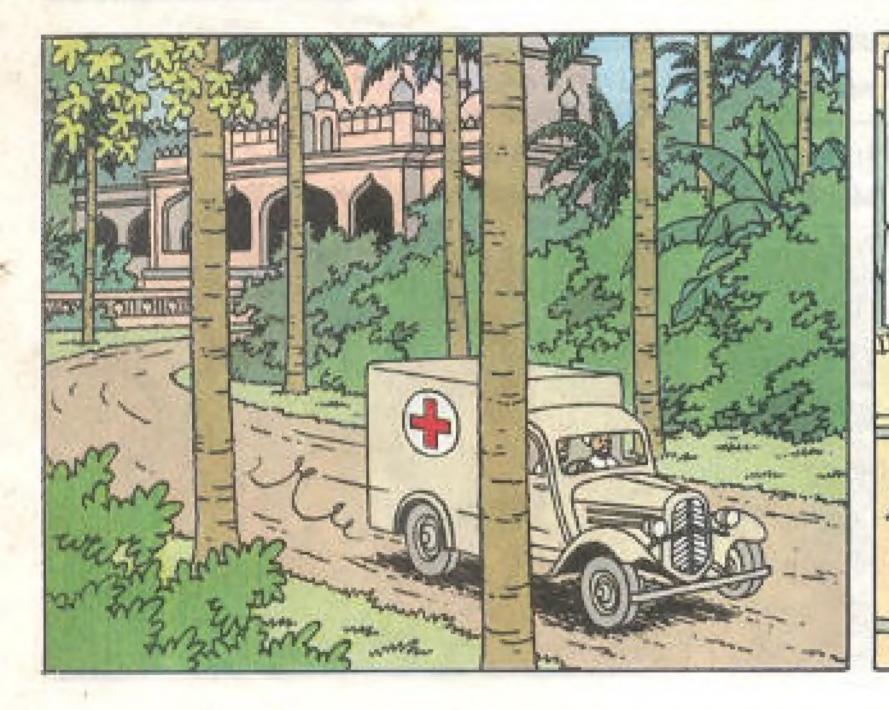


As I expected, they're fakes. The band, an outer covering of tobacco, and inside, opium! Quite a simple trick, but it fooled the police of half the world.









They will be well cared for... And you, my young friend, have earned a good holiday. Maybe a nice quiet cruise... now that we have seen the last of that evil gang.

I hope you are right, Highness, I certainly hope so... But somehow, I wonder ...

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